

MLK Memorial Now Postponed

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Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — A planned weekend dedication of the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial on the National Mall has been postponed until September or October as approaching Hurricane Irene dashed hopes of paying tribute to the late civil rights activist on the 48th anniversary of his "I Have a Dream" speech, organizers said Thursday.



Martin Luther King, Jr.'s children listen during a news conference in Washington, Thursday, Aug. 25, 2011, to announce the dedication of the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial has been postponed indefinitely.

(AP Photo/Ann Heisenfelt)

Executive architect Ed Jackson Jr. told The Associated Press that the hurricane bearing down on the East Coast had forced the postponement of the dedication originally planned for 11 a.m. Sunday. President Barack Obama was to have been one of the scheduled speakers beside the King sculpture erected on a 4-acre (1.6-hectare) site in the nation's capital. Harry Johnson, the president of the foundation that built the memorial, said at a subsequent news conference that he decided Thursday afternoon to postpone the dedication after studying the forecasts. □



A message is left for Hurricane Irene on one house, left, as a resident boards up another in anticipation of the arrival of Hurricane Irene in Nags Head, N.C., Thursday, Aug. 25, 2011 on North Carolina's Outer Banks.

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KILL DEVIL HILLS, N.C. — John H. Woolard, who is 79 years old, cannot remember how many hurricanes he has confronted at his home, also 79, which sits on stilts overlooking the Atlantic Ocean here. Is it 12? Or 14? "I have never left," he said proudly Thursday afternoon, showing off a photograph he took of a storm in 1962. "But I think I'm going to leave this time. "This one," he said, referring to Hurricane Irene, "is dead on us."

It was a day of weather wake-up calls for residents from North Carolina to Maine as the storm pummeled the Bahamas. A forecast track that a day earlier predicted the hurricane would pass just off North Carolina's fragile Outer Banks shifted west Thursday morning, putting a weekend bull's-eye on Wilmington, N.C.; Virginia Beach, Va.; Atlantic City, N.J.; and New York City, and jolting beachgoers and old-timers alike.

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This satellite image provided by NOAA and taken at 12:15 GMT Thursday Aug. 25, 2011 shows Hurricane Irene as it approaches the northwestern Bahamas as a Category 3 storm with maximum sustained winds at 115 mph (185 kph).

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Irene's approach forces East Coast to batten down

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The National Hurricane Center said Thursday night that maximum winds at the center of the hurricane were 115 mph, making it a Category 3 storm. Hurricane warnings were issued for the length of

cation of the new memorial to the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., which was scheduled for Sunday. W. Craig Fugate, administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, said the hurricane was likely to drop as much as 10 inches of rain

winds of at least 74 mph extended 70 miles from its center Thursday, and winds of at least 40 mph reached 255 miles out. The storm was also moving slowly, about 14 mph, compared with speeds of 30 mph to 40 mph for similar storms, said Dennis Feltgen,



Kiel Murphy, left, helps his father, Bill Brightbill, place boards over windows at Surfside Casuals in Nags Head, N.C., Thursday, Aug. 25, 2011. Preparations for the arrival of Hurricane Irene are underway as mandatory evacuations are in order for Dare County.

(AP Photo)

the North Carolina coast, where Irene is expected to make landfall Saturday afternoon, and hurricane watches were posted in Virginia, Maryland, Delaware and New Jersey, where the storm is expected to lash coastal areas before reaching New York in a somewhat weakened state Sunday. In Washington, the storm forced organizers to indefinitely postpone the dedi-

in some areas. "This will not just be a coastal storm," he said. "We can see impacts well inland." Amtrak announced that it was canceling train service for Friday, Saturday and Sunday south of Washington because of the storm. Service in the Northeast Corridor is not affected. Forecasters said Irene presented some unusual problems. For one thing, it is uncommonly large: Hurricane-force

a spokesman for the hurricane center. Both the hurricane's size and slow pace could intensify flooding in the Middle Atlantic states and in the Northeast, where the ground is already saturated in places from heavy rains this summer. A tropical storm warning was also in effect in South Carolina, and conditions along the coast there are expected to deteriorate as the hurricane passes Friday. □



Paramedics remove the body of a woman out of the Casino Royale in Monterrey, Mexico, Thursday Aug. 25 2011. Two dozen gunmen burst into the casino in northern Mexico on Thursday, doused it with a flammable liquid and started a fire that trapped gamblers inside, killing at least 32 people and injuring a dozen more, authorities said.

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32 dead: Mexican casino attacked

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 Associated Press

MONTERREY, Mexico (AP) — Two dozen gunmen burst into a casino in northern Mexico on Thursday, doused it with a flammable liquid and started a fire that trapped gamblers inside, killing at least 32 people and injuring a dozen more, authorities said.

The fire at the Casino Royale in Monterrey, which has seen a surge in drug cartel-related violence, represented one of the deadliest attacks against an entertainment center in Mexico since President Felipe Calderon launched an offensive against drug cartels in late 2006.

State police officials quoted survivors as saying that about two dozen armed men burst into the casino, apparently to rob it, and began dousing the premises with fuel from tanks they brought with them. The officials were not authorized to be quoted by name for security reasons.

With shouts and profanities, the attackers told the customers and employees to get out. But many terrified customers and employees fled further inside the building, where they died trapped amid the flames and thick smoke that soon billowed out of the building.

Angel Flores, a commander of the Monterrey Green Cross rescue service, said 28 bodies had been recovered from the casino, and that more were likely to be recovered. He said most died of asphyxiation.

Monterrey Mayor Fernando Larrazabal said that many of the bodies were found inside the casino's bathrooms, where employees and customers had locked themselves to escape the armed commando. □



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AP IMPACT:

Some 9/11 charities failed miserably

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NEW YORK (AP) —

Americans eager to give after the 9/11 terrorist attacks poured \$1.5 billion into hundreds of charities established to serve the victims, their families and their memories. But a decade later, an Associated Press investigation shows that many of those nonprofits have failed miserably.

There are those that spent huge sums on themselves, those that cannot account for the money they received, those that have few results to show for their spending and those that have yet to file required income tax returns. Yet many of the charities continue to raise money in the name of Sept. 11.

One charity raised more than \$700,000 for a giant memorial quilt, but there is no quilt. Another raised more than \$4 million to help victims, but didn't account publicly for how it spent all of the money. A third helps support a 9/11 flag sold by the founder's for-profit company.

There are other charities that can account for practically every penny raised — except that all the mon-

ey went to pay for fundraising, and not the intended mission.

To be sure, most of the 325 charities identified by the AP followed the rules, ac-

counted fully for their expenditures and closed after fulfilling identified goals.

There have been charities to assist ill and dying first responders, to help families of the dead, to help survivors and to honor the memory of victims. And there are charities that revolve around the flag, patriotism, motorcycle rallies and memorials of all sizes and shapes.

But in virtually every category of 9/11 nonprofit, an AP analysis of tax documents and other official records uncovered schemes beset with shady dealings, questionable expenses and dubious intentions. Many of those still raising money are small, founded by people with no experience running a nonprofit.

The Arizona-based charity that raised \$713,000 for a 9/11 memorial quilt promised it would be big enough to cover 25 football fields, but there are only several hundred decorated sheets packed in boxes at a storage unit. One-third of the money raised went to the charity's founder and relatives, according to tax records and interviews.

Those records show founder Kevin Held also spent more than \$170,000 on travel since 2004. He rarely traveled without his two Alaskan Malamute dogs, one at 120 pounds (54 kilograms) and the other 200 pounds (90 kilograms). He also listed \$36,691 in credit card and bank charges since 2005 and \$10,460 for an expense listed as "petty" in 2009.

The chairman of the board, an 84-year-old Roman Catholic priest, says he didn't know he was chairman and thought that only

small amounts of money had been raised. He says he was unaware that the founder had given himself a \$200 per week car allowance, rent reimbursement and a \$45,000 payment for an unreported loan.

Held acknowledges he struggled managing the charity's finances, but he said he didn't live off the nonprofit. "If I made a mistake, I made a mistake. If I did, then crucify me. I never said I was a professional at this."

There's a charity for a 9/11 Garden of Forgiveness at the World Trade Center site — only there's no Garden of Forgiveness. The Rev. Lyndon Harris, who founded the Sacred City nonprofit in 2005, spent the months following 9/11 at ground zero helping victims, relatives and first responders. He said he formed the charity to fulfill "our sacred oath" to build the garden. Tax records show the charity has raised \$200,000, and that the Episcopal priest paid himself \$126,530 in salary and used another \$3,562 for dining expenses between 2005 and 2007.

Harris said he sees his charity's work as a success even if there is no garden at the site. "I saw our mission as teaching about forgiveness," he said.

Another Manhattan 9/11 charity, Urban Life Ministries, raised more than \$4 million to help victims and first responders. But the group only accounted for about \$670,000 on its tax forms. Along with almost four dozen other 9/11 charities, Urban Life lost its IRS tax-exempt status this year because it failed to show how money was collected and spent. □



In this Monday, Aug. 22, 2011 photo, Kevin Held displays a section of a 9/11 memorial quilt at a storage facility in Gilbert, Ariz. Held formed Stage 1 Productions in 2003 to promote the American Quilt Memorial honoring the lives lost on Sept. 11. He said thousands of individual pieces would be crafted together on white king-sized sheets that, when sewn together, would stretch 1 1/2 miles across an eight-lane highway. That never happened. The \$713,000 that Held raised from students, school fundraising campaigns, T-shirt sales and other donations is gone. More than \$270,000 of that went to Held and family members, records show.

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GOP: 'Casual Friday' vs. 'Boardroom Cool'

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LEBANON, N.H. — When Rick Perry popped in for popovers at a Portsmouth cafe recently, he cheerfully dismissed the bevy of protesters awaiting him and the two women haranguing him about Social Security. He handled the skeptics with aplomb, grinning at the hecklers and displaying a self-assured ease with everyone from the littlest of children to the angriest of voters.

Biting into a warm, maple-buttered pastry, he offered a piece to his wife, undeterred by the man shouting, "Let them eat cake, Governor Perry!"

A week later Mitt Romney trod some of the same ground, encountering dissenters of his own at a town hall-style meeting here.

"You're not the boss of me, as my kids used to say!" Romney said,

to laughter, quibbling with the way one man characterized his views on climate

change.

The Republican presidential battle is still young, but two weeks spent on the campaign trail with the candidates that polls show atop the pack offered a striking contrast: Perry seems to relish interaction with crowds, even in unfamiliar territory like New Hampshire, while Romney sometimes seems like a work in progress, improving almost daily as he tries to engage voters.

Aides to Romney say he has substantially evolved since his 2008 bid, and that Mitt 2.0 is a more relaxed, confident version of the man voters met then. At a jobs forum in Exeter on Thursday,

Romney offered a rousing speech — bringing the audience to applause several times and joking easily with voters — that ended in a standing ovation.

While voters in these challenging times look for more than surface connections as they make their choices, these close-up impressions

in early nominating states do matter. They may be especially important at a mo-

ture as a stilted, awkward and perfect-to-the-point-of-imperfect candidate,



Texas Gov. Rick Perry greets constituents outside of Bazen's Family Restaurant in Florence, S.C. In the Republican presidential battle, Perry seems to relish interaction with crowds, even in unfamiliar territory like New Hampshire, while former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney sometimes seems like a work in progress, improving as he tries to engage voters.

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ment when, at least in perception if not necessarily in reality, Perry is threatening to overtake Romney as the perceived front-runner.

Romney is still struggling to overcome his initial carica-

and some note progress.

"Your presence is much more at ease this time around," said Clair Monier, the president of the Manchester Rotary Club, clapping Romney's hand at a Rotary lunch earlier month.

"More at ease, more comfortable, less scripted, less robotic," Monier later explained. "His hair was not glued down."

(Indeed, this week Romney's usual helmet of dark hair has seemed casually moussed and even lightly tousled.)

Still, Romney sometimes barks rather than speaks his small talk — his hearty "Ha! Ha!" sounds less like a laugh than like someone imitating laughter — and he seems loath to emote. □

New efforts to ease fears over deportation program draws anger

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A task force set up by the Obama administration to ease political tensions over a deportation program has held the last of four public hearings, which instead served largely to galvanize vocal protests against the policy. Immigrant, labor and church groups walked out halfway through the session Wednesday in Arlington, Va., banging drums and denouncing the hearing as a "sham" intended to gloss over deep problems with the program, known as Secure Communities. Immigrant and Latino groups also marched out of hearings this month in Los Angeles and Chicago, calling for a halt to the program. In Chicago, six illegal immigrant students were arrested after briefly stopping traffic outside the hearing. The students were later released. The

first hearing, in Dallas, drew heated debate but less militant protests. With a series of initiatives since June, the Obama administration has sought to tighten the focus of its deportation strategy on illegal immigrants who also have been convicted of crimes, especially serious violent and drug offenses. Officials say the rapid expansion of Secure Communities to cover the entire country by 2013 is part of that plan. At the same time, senior administration officials announced measures last week to cancel deportation proceedings against

many non-citizens who are charged with immigration violations (which generally are civil offenses), but who had not committed crimes. A 21-member Secure Communities task force was established in June by John Morton, the director of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, the agency running the program, in response to growing resistance from states and cities. Morton originally assigned the group to examine narrow issues concerning the program's impact that had drawn complaints from immigrant leaders. □

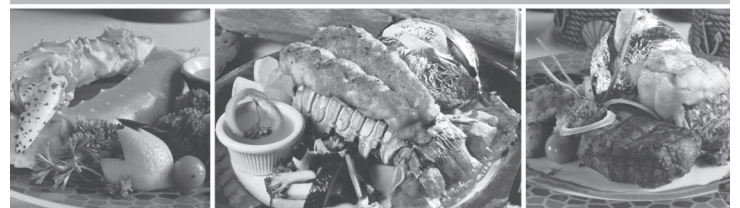
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Cultural crosscurrents stir a faded and lively park

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NEW YORK—Here is a typical scene for a newcomer to Flushing Meadows-Corona Park, in Queens. You're sitting on a bench mesmerized by the Unisphere sculpture — the glittering globe that appears to levitate on its ring of geyser fountains — and then there is a woman pushing a baby carriage toward you, cooing in singsong Spanish. She pulls up, and you realize that she's not serenading any baby. She's hawking sliced mangoes — discreetly, mind you, because she's not a licensed vendor. And in the feeding tray of this stroller-pushcart, she's packing the works: salt, lime, chili powder and hot sauce. You go with it and buy a bag for \$3 and meditate on this stealth stroller trick while watching dozens of children frolicking in the Unisphere fountains, the little ones in their underwear, in a madcap, gushing sprinkler party. You conclude that you're not in the most heavily

regimented and regulated of city parks, a far cry from its very carefully maintained and patrolled Manhattan cousins like Central Park and the High Line. You're in Queens now, pal, borough of immigrants. And this park, site of both the 1939 and 1964 World's Fairs but faded since those heady days, is now their

backyard. Sprawling south from CitiField, it lies within walking distance for the Chinese of Flushing, the Mexicans and Ecuadoreans of Corona, the Colombians of Jackson Heights. Things happen here in their own informal way, and this is what makes an overlooked park one of New York City's glorious public spaces. At

1,255 acres, it is the second-largest public park in the city, after Pelham Bay Park in the Bronx. It does enjoy a glimmer of attention each year when the U.S. Open tennis tournament is held at the Billie Jean King National Tennis Center. Though the tournament, which this year runs from Monday through

Sept. 11, is heralded as a global event, many fans never glimpse the real multiculturalism of the park, an international display much like, well, the World's Fair itself. "There is no other park in the world where you can get all these different people from different countries coming together in one place," said Gilberto Gil, who goes to the park on weekends to watch the soccer team he sponsors in a men's league of Colombian immigrants. The countries are no longer represented by exhibits in booths and pavilions, as they were at the World's Fairs, but rather in the sports leagues and the food vendors, which can be licensed carts or fly-by-night gas grills propped on park benches. One recent weekend a woman was selling empanadas out of a shopping cart to the skateboarders at a popular, newish skate park near the base of the decaying New York State Pavilion.



People pass by the Unisphere with fountains flowing at Flushing Meadows-Corona Park, in New York, Aug. 20, 2011. The park, a faded site of both the 1939 and 1964 World's Fairs, is a multicultural backyard for a borough of immigrants.

(Hiroko Masuike/The New York Times)

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Monday Tuesday Thursday	Rebuys Buy in: \$10 for 700 chips Single: \$21 for 2000 chips Add-on: \$32 for 4000 chips		
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Lively park

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And that's another thing about the park. Nearly everything that is happening is happening in the shadow of some surreal-looking World's Fair remnant. The neglected monuments give the park a science-fiction feel and provide an interesting crosscurrent to the bustle of the park as a haven for hard-working immigrants at play. For example, near the base of the "Rocket Thrower" statue, along the line of reflecting pools emanating out from the Unisphere, groups of Latino men race their high-performance

home countries. You might get a game of Dominican softball on the grassy diamonds along the park's western portion that pits men from Santiago against those from El Cibao. On weekends, the soccer players arrive together by country, mostly Latin and South American. One recent Saturday, Gil's team, composed mostly of players from his hometown, Medellin, faced the team hailing from Pereira, Colombia. Gil, who owns a refrigeration company in Brooklyn, grimaced and exulted with every play. "I've had two heart attacks already," he said. "My wife begs me to give it up, but I can't." After the



A soccer game on the fields at Flushing Meadows-Corona Park, in New York, Aug. 20, 2011.

(Hiroko Masuike/The New York Times)

miniature cars by remote control, making for a full-on smack-up derby that attracts many spectators and has its own pit crews. At the Queens Zoo, by the park's western edge, bison graze at the foot of the strange-looking Terrace on the Park banquet hall. And in those reflecting pools – once grand fountains, now dry – soccer games hold sway. Looming over the treetops near the Grand Central Parkway and presiding over all are the Jetsons-era saucers of the New York State Pavilion, a massive space-age relic designed by Philip Johnson and reaching 226 feet high. On weeknights and weekend mornings, the rhythm of the park is the same: The people arrive, the nets are unpacked and set up, and the soccer and volleyball games commence, in any given clearing, often with extended families hunkered down nearby for a long day's picnic. There are teams aligned with the cities and towns of

game, he called over one of his players, Eduardo Ortiz, 33, a former professional player in Ecuador, now living in New York. Like some other team sponsors, Gil recruits South American players and sets them up with good jobs in New York to get them on his team. South Asians and West Indians, dressed in whites, have their cricket games on either side of the expressway. Groups of young Asian adults from Flushing and Bayside favor nighttime golf, or miniature golf, under the lights at the Flushing Meadows Pitch & Putt course, near the tennis center. The course is in good shape and has a snack bar that dispenses \$10 pitchers of icy Molson to drink at the picnic tables overlooking the first tee. Food is a theme. The Ecuadorians flock to the two main licensed carts near Industry Pond and the artificial-turf soccer fields for arepas and cheese-topped fried bananas.

You can buy a \$9 shrimp ceviche marinated in lime, or succulent roast pork with rice and beans and salad for \$8, which can really feed two people. The people and fare run the gamut. I have seen wom-

bian immigrants, who set up a gas grill on a folding table near the field and grill steaks – \$7 a platter – and charge \$1.50 for empanadas made at home. Littering can be a problem on busy weekends, and you

ment parts of the park are considerably spruced up, with more police presence. For years the tournament weeks were really the only time you could enjoy seeing the Unisphere fountains turned on all day – they were too leaky to run regularly – but after a \$2 million rehabilitation last year they have been on most of the summer. Tournament time also means that some sections of the park are used for parking and staging areas for limos, buses and official vehicles. The park has attractions besides people-watching: several playgrounds, a carousel, the zoo, the New York Hall of Science, an indoor Olympic-size pool and skating rink, a skate park. Austin Kincaid, 28, from Brooklyn, who was using inline skates at the skate park, listed his favorite things about Flushing Meadows-Corona Park, including the inexpensive food, the scarcity of law enforcement officers and "all this spaceship-looking stuff" from the World's Fair. □



A birthday picnic for Vivianna Rivera, 2, at Flushing Meadows-Corona Park, in New York, Aug. 20, 2011. The park, a faded site of both the 1939 and 1964 World's Fairs, is a multicultural backyard for a borough of immigrants.

(Hiroko Masuike/The New York Times)

en in bowler hats and the traditional dress of the Andes cooking a guinea pig dish known as cuy on sticks over hot coals. The Colombian men playing soccer buy their lunch from two women, Colom-

can go for long stretches without seeing park workers or police officers. There are spots where the ground has become a veritable mosaic of embedded Heineken and Corona bottle caps. During the tennis tourna-



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Bombs kill 15 in attacks across Iraq

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BAGHDAD (AP) — Bombs killed at least 15 people across Iraq Thursday, including eight police officers and a soldier, in the latest strike against Iraqi security forces as U.S. troops prepare to leave.

Gunmen attacked a police station Thursday in the town of Karmah, about 50 miles (80 kilometers) west of Baghdad. After exchanging gunfire with the policemen, the gunmen withdrew and a car bomb exploded near the police station, killing five of the police officers, Iraqi police and hospital officials said. About 30 minutes later, a parked car bomb exploded near a police checkpoint in a village outside of Fallujah, 40



Iraqi police officers are seen as one search a motorbike at a checkpoint in central Baghdad, Iraq. Bombs killed at least 15 people across Iraq Thursday, including eight police officers and a soldier, in the latest strike against Iraqi security forces as U.S. troops prepare to leave.

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miles (65 kilometers) west of Baghdad. Three policemen and one civilian were killed in the second attack, officials said.

Fallujah was the scene of fierce fighting between U.S.

troops and Sunni militants in 2004. The city has since revitalized, but bombings and attacks against Iraqi security forces who are seen as allied with the Shiite-led government are still common.

In the southern city of Basra, a suicide bomber blew up his vehicle near a Shiite mosque, said Ayad al-Emarah, press secretary for the Basra provincial governor. Four worshippers died and another 50 were injured, said hospital and morgue officials. Such attacks, especially those involving a suicide bomber, are rare in Basra, which has seen increasing foreign investment and foreign visitors as Iraq tries to boost its oil exports.

Earlier in the day, a roadside bomb exploded near an Iraqi army checkpoint in eastern Mosul, police said.

One soldier died in the afternoon blast in the city that was once an al-Qaida hotbed. Al-Qaida's footprint recently has shrunk in Mosul, located 225 miles (360 kilometers) northwest of Baghdad, but the Iraqi wing of the terror group remains focused on thwarting Iraq's government and security forces. □

In Baghdad, foreign workers can't leave or get paid

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BAGHDAD — For months, they have sat here, half a block from the prime minister's palace in the Green Zone, essentially captives with little food, drinking water or electricity.

Humble laborers, they had come to Baghdad in January from Eastern Europe and Asia seeking better wages.

They had the important sounding assignment of building a dozen villas to house heads of state for the annual meeting of the Arab League, which was scheduled to take place here.

But the project was halted in April for reasons that are unclear, and a month later, as the Arab Spring rolled on, the Arab League meeting was postponed until next year.

Now the workers — 27 Ukrainians (including a woman), seven Bulgarians and one Nepalese — are marooned here, living in one of the world's hottest and most inhospitable cities in an abandoned building next to the construction site and lacking the documents they need to leave the country.

The abandoned building, which used to house a restaurant for American soldiers, barely has running water. It has no air conditioning, so they spend most of their days sitting outside in just their underwear.

From that vantage point they have an excellent view of convoys of high-ranking Iraqi and American officials driving past, apparently oblivious to the sign they have affixed to a fence there calling for help in broken English.

Like prisoners, they pass

the time playing cards and checkers, which are made out of water bottle caps. Packs of cigarettes are consumed daily.

"We're not doing good," said one of the workers, who, like many others interviewed at the site, asked that his name not be disclosed because he feared for his safety.

In the mornings, the workers are awakened by the noise of rats running through the building. Their only hot meal is delivered every day around 3 p.m. by the International Organization for Migration.

At night, some workers sleep outside because it is cooler. All of them listen for rockets and mortars aimed at the Green Zone, the highly protected area that houses the United States Embassy and many important Iraqi government buildings and is a favorite target of insurgents. Unlike the Embassy and the government buildings, the construction site does not have duck-and-cover bunkers.

Several weeks ago, one of the workers tried to commit suicide.

The annual meeting of the Arab League, which Iraqi leaders hoped would showcase the progress they claimed their country had made, was postponed because, with the Arab world boiling, many leaders did not want to leave their countries, in part out of fear they would never return.

For the laborers, the jobs initially sounded so appealing that they took out loans to pay recruiters in their native countries for the jobs. They were told that they would make \$2,500 a month and live in an air-conditioned room with an Internet connection and electricity. □

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Rebels lay siege to Gadhafi forces in Tripoli

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Associated Press

TRIPOLI, Libya (AP) — The streets where rebel fighters bombarded snipers loyal to Moammar Gadhafi were strewn with bullet-ridden corpses from both sides Thursday. Streams of blood ran down the gutters and turned sewers red.

By sundown the rebels appeared to have won the battle for the Abu Salim neighborhood, next to Gadhafi's captured Tripoli compound, but the fallen dictator continued to elude them. Speaking from an unknown location, he exhorted his supporters to fight on. "Don't leave Tripoli for the rats. Fight them, and kill them," Gadhafi said in a new audio message broadcast on Al-Ouroba TV, a Syria-based satellite station. Outside his Bab al-Aziziya compound, which rebels captured Tuesday, there was another grim scene — one that suggested mass, execution-style killings of civilians.

About two dozen bodies — some with their hands

bound by plastic ties and with bullet wounds to the head — lay scattered on grassy lots in an area where Gadhafi sympathizers had camped out for months.

The identities of the dead were unclear, but they were in all likelihood activists who had set up an impromptu tent city in solidarity with Gadhafi in defiance of the NATO bombing campaign. Five or six bodies were in a tent erected on a roundabout that had served as a field clinic. One of the dead still had an IV in his arm, and another body was completely charred, its legs missing. The body of a doctor, in his green hospital gown, was found dumped in the canal.

It was unclear who was responsible for the killings. Rebels have seized most of Tripoli since sweeping into the capital on Sunday, and on Thursday they announced that their leadership was moving into the capital. The rebel National Transitional Council has been based in the eastern city of Benghazi, which fell to rebel forces early in the

conflict. "In the name of the martyrs ... I proclaim the beginning ... of the work of the executive office in a free Tripoli as of this moment," Ali Tarhouni, the council's finance minister, told reporters in Tripoli.

"I have a final message for

everyone who is still carrying arms against the revolution," he said, "to let go of their arms and go back to their homes, and we promise not to take revenge against them."

The rebels know they cannot declare a full victory in

the 6-month-old civil war as long as Gadhafi has not been captured or killed. There was no sign of the leader or his sons, despite rumors that swirled around the battlefield that they may be hiding inside some of the besieged buildings in Abu Salim. The neighborhood, where battles have raged for days, is thought to be the last major stronghold of regime brigades in Tripoli, though there has also been ongoing fighting around the airport. Many of the pro-Gadhafi forces in Abu Salim are believed to have fled his Bab al-Aziziya compound after rebels captured it Tuesday, and the neighborhood is among the few places in Tripoli where pro-Gadhafi graffiti has not been painted over. □



Libyan rebel, left, handcuffs captured Moammar Gadhafi's loyalists, in Tripoli, Libya, Thursday, Aug. 25, 2011. An intense battle has erupted between about 1,000 rebels surrounding two buildings filled with Moammar Gadhafi loyalists in the neighborhood next to the Libyan leader's captured compound.

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Syrian gunmen break artist's hands as 'warning'

ZEINA KARAM
Associated Press

BEIRUT (AP) — A renowned political cartoonist whose drawings expressed Syrians' frustrated hopes for change was grabbed after he left his studio early Thursday and beaten by masked gunmen who broke his hands and dumped him on a road outside Damascus. One of Syria's most famous artists, Ali Ferzat, 60, earned international recognition and the respect of many Arabs with stinging caricatures that infuriated dictators including Iraq's Saddam Hussein, Libya's Moammar Gadhafi and, particularly in recent months, Syria's autocratic Assad family.

He lay badly bruised in a hospital bed Thursday evening with his hands swathed in bandages, a stark reminder that no Syrian remains immune to a brutal crackdown on a five-month anti-government uprising.

Ferzat remembers the gunmen telling him that "this is just a warning," as they beat him, a relative told The Associated Press.

"We will break your hands so that you'll stop drawing," the masked men said, according to the relative, who spoke anonymously for fear of retaliation.

Before inheriting Syria's presidency from his father in 2000, Bashar Assad, a British-trained eye doctor, used to visit Ferzat's exhibitions and offer encouraging words, the artist has said.

When the new president opened Syria to reforms, Ferzat was allowed to publish the country's first private newspaper in decades, a satirical weekly called The Lamplighter.

The paper was an instant hit, with copies of each issue selling out a few hours after hitting the stands. It was soon shut down, however, as Assad began cracking down on dissent and jailing critics after the brief, heady period known as the Damascus Spring quickly lost steam.

Ferzat became a vehement critic of the regime,

particularly after the military launched a brutal crackdown on the country's protest movement.

Human rights groups said Assad's forces have killed more than 2,000 people since the uprising against his autocratic rule erupted in mid-March, touched off by the wave of revolutions sweeping the Arab world.



In this photo released by the Syrian News Station website, Syrian cartoonist Ali Ferzat lies injured at a hospital in Damascus, Syria, Thursday, Aug. 25, 2011. Masked gunmen dragged Syria's best-known political cartoonist Ali Ferzat from his car before dawn Thursday, beat him severely and left him bleeding along the side of a road days after he compared Syria's president to Moammar Gadhafi, human rights activists said. Hospitalized with serious injuries, Ferzat appears to have become the most famous victim of the repression of Syria's 5-month uprising — a stark reminder that no Syrian is immune to the government crackdown.

(AP Photo/Syrian News Station, HO)

An endearing figure with a bushy gray beard, Ferzat drew cartoons about the uprising and posted the illustrations on his private website, providing comic relief to many Syrians who were unable to follow his work in local newspapers because of a ban on his drawings. His illustrations grew bolder in recent months, with some of his cartoons directly criticizing Assad, even through caricatures of the president are forbidden in Syria.

This week, he published a cartoon showing Assad with a packed suitcase, frantically hitching a ride with a fleeing Gadhafi. Another drawing showed dictators walking a long red carpet that leads them, in the end, to a dustbin.

The response was swift.

Ferzat, who usually works late into the night, left his studio at 4 a.m. Thursday, but a jeep with tinted windows quickly cut him off,

according to the relative. Four masked gunmen then dragged him out of his car, bundled him into the jeep and drove him to the airport road just outside Damascus, beating him and making threats all the while. The men then singed the artist's beard, put a bag over his head and dumped him on the side of the road.

members and companies associated with his regime, and a travel ban on 21 individuals.

Diplomats said Russia and China, both with close ties to Damascus, boycotted the meeting. Russian U.N. Ambassador Vitaly Churkin hinted Wednesday that he would veto the resolution, saying the council should use dialogue to persuade Syria to end its violent crackdown on protesters. Calls to Russian and Chinese U.N. Missions seeking comment were not immediately returned.

Assad's crackdown has not spared other Syrian intellectuals and artists who dared to voice criticism. □

A group of intellectuals and artists, including Syrian actress May Skaff, were rounded up and jailed for a week last month after holding a protest in Damascus.

Damascus-based activist and film producer Shadi Abu Fakher went missing on July 23 and has not been heard of since.

Ferzat, however, is the most famous victim of the repression to date. He had been encouraging other Syrian artists to side with the protesters, even publishing on his website a "List of Shame" that included names of those who were on the side of the regime.

"We were a group of reformers in the country, and suddenly, the doors of hell opened on us. It was a huge disappointment," Ferzat told the AP earlier this month in a phone interview. The timing of the attack strongly suggests Ferzat's attackers knew his unusual working hours and had been tracking him. Ferzat said his day starts at 5 p.m. In the telephone interview, he said he was full of hope that the Syrian revolution would bring about the change fervently desired by so many Syrians.

"There are two things in this life that cannot be crushed — the will of God and the will of the people," he said. Asked if he fears arrest because of his drawings, he said: "I have killed the policeman in my head."

After news of Ferzat's attack broke Thursday, online social networking sites exploded with angry postings. "Assad's Syria is the burial ground of talent," read a posting on Twitter.

"Ali Ferzat, your innovation will stand in the face of their cowardice and hate," wrote Suheir Atassi, a prominent Syrian pro-democracy activist.

Soon after the attack, his website where he published his cartoons and satirical commentary was taken down. □

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Mexico nabs 2 for tweeting violent rumors

VERACRUZ, Mexico (AP) —

Two men were detained for allegedly tweeting rumors of purported shootouts and other drug violence Thursday, and authorities said they planned to file terrorism charges against the pair.

The rumors of attacks by the Zetas drug cartel prompted parents to rush to schools looking for their children in the state's biggest city, also known as Veracruz, and in the neighboring city of Boca del Rio. The panic snarled streets with chaotic traffic. The tweets warned of attacks on banks and schools, adding the threat: "For each Zeta killed a child will die."

Attorney General Reynaldo Escobar Perez said the two men were being questioned to determine if more people were behind the messages. Escobar said that if found guilty, the two men would face three to nine years in prison. He said the men were under the influence of drugs and alcohol when they were detained. Veracruz state law defines terrorism as "any person using explosives, toxic substances, firearms, fire, flood or any other means to carry out attacks on persons, things or public services, in such a way that creates alarm, fear or terror in the public or any sector of it, so as to disturb the public peace or disparage the authority of the government or pressure it." □

Abkhazia wants wiggle room in Russia's embrace

MICHAEL SCHWIRTZ

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SUKHUMI, Georgia — Three years after Russia defied international consensus and unilaterally declared a breakaway enclave of Georgia called Abkhazia to be a sovereign nation, the area's leaders continue to struggle with the price of that recognition. With no other major countries willing to acknowledge its legitimacy, Abkhazia relies almost completely on Moscow for its survival. Russia's troops and border guards provide security, its companies sell food and fuel to the Abkhaz people, and its government pays pensions to the elderly. The Russian ruble is the only currency. With Russians eyeing Abkhazia's verdant beachfront real estate and even the Russian Orthodox Church looking to expand its influence, some Abkhaz have begun to wonder how much longer their autonomy will last.

"We are trying to hang on to our sovereignty, to that freedom and independence that we fought for, that we gave our lives for," said Sergei M. Shamba, Abkhazia's de facto prime minister. "Everything now depends on how successfully we walk the sharp edge of the dagger that we have been walking our whole history. Any wrong step could lead to tragedy, and we've had not a few of those in our history." Shamba is one of three candidates running in a snap presidential election Friday, set for the anniversary of the



A woman walks by the remains of a former government building that was burned, in central Sukhumi, Abkhazia, Aug. 23, 2011. The breakaway region of Abkhazia, still claimed by Georgia and relying almost completely on Russia for its survival while it clings to a form of independence, will have presidential elections on Friday.

(James Hill/The New York Times)

day in August 2008 that Russia recognized the independence of Abkhazia and South Ossetia, another rebel Georgian enclave, after Russian troops won a brief war with Georgia.

The campaign, for the most part, has run smoothly, and the outcome will hardly matter, according to experts here in Sukhumi, Abkhazia's capital. The winner is most likely to face the same predicament as President Sergei V. Bagapsh, who died suddenly in May: maintaining good relations with Russia, which is crucial to Abkhazia's survival, while also warding off annexation. For some, the question is not whether any leader of this tiny territory can prevail, but whether Abkhazia has already lost.

"Everyone understands that the current setup is a dead end," said Inal Khashig, the editor-in-chief of a local independent newspaper. "It is too similar to the Soviet

patronage system. A little Soviet with some elements of democracy will not allow us to become more sovereign." Abkhazia, a finger of subtropical land wedged between Russia

and Georgia along the Black Sea, has been caught between larger powers for most of its history. It was absorbed into the Russian Empire under the czars and became a premier vacation destination during the Soviet era, when it was an autonomous region within the Soviet Republic of Georgia.

After the Soviet Union's collapse in 1991, officials in Georgia declared that Abkhazia — which had an ethnically and linguistically distinct Abkhaz population as well as many Georgians and others — should remain part of the newly independent Republic of Georgia, setting off a war whose scars are still visible in the bullet-strafed buildings of Sukhumi and the vacant stares of camouflage-clad old men. □

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A reflection of greatness, blurred

Edward Rothstein

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WASHINGTON — It is a momentous occasion. Into an honored array of presidents and soldiers — the founders and protectors of the nation — has come a minister, a man without epaulets or civilian authority, who was not a creator of laws, but someone who, for a time, was a deliberate violator of them; not a waver of war but someone who, throughout his short life, was pretty much a pacifist; not an associate of the nation's ruling elite but someone who, in many cases, would have been prevented from joining it. That figure is the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., and this Sunday, when his 4-acre, \$120 million memorial on the edge of the Tidal Basin is to be officially dedicated, it will be adjacent to Franklin D. Roosevelt's, across the water from Thomas Jefferson's, and along an axis leading from that founding father directly to Abraham Lincoln's. There are few figures in U.S.

history with similar credentials who would have even a remotely comparable claim for national remembrance on the Washington Mall.

Perhaps, though, it was the expectation of such con-

exaggerates the physical and spiritual stature of their human subjects. That is one of the purposes of turning flesh into imposing stone. We can feel it when standing at Lincoln's toe level in his Grecian memorial on

space with Greek or Roman allusions. His form emerges halfway out of an enormous mound of granite so heavy that 50-foot piles had to be driven into the ground to provide support. We don't even see his feet. He is embedded in the rock like something not yet fully born, suited and stern, rising from its roughly chiseled surface. His face is uncompromising, determined, his eyes fixed in the distance, not far from where Jefferson stands across the water. But kitsch here strains at the limits of resemblance: Is this the King of the "I Have a Dream" speech? Or the writer of the 1964 Nobel Peace Prize acceptance speech?

And while no memorial on the Mall has ever had an easy time of it, this one surely had its share of problems. King was a member of the country's first black fraternity, Alpha Phi Alpha, whose officials began the commemorative plans. Between 1996, when the fraternity's oversight was first approved by Congress and President Bill Clinton, and Sunday's dedication (on the 48th anniversary of the March on Washington and King's "Dream" speech), the memorial's site has shifted back and forth, its privately raised funds have become intermittently scarce, and its development has inspired a number of controversies.

The King family is reported to have demanded and received about \$800,000 in fees from the foundation that was established to create the memorial, just for permission to use King's words and likeness for fundraising.

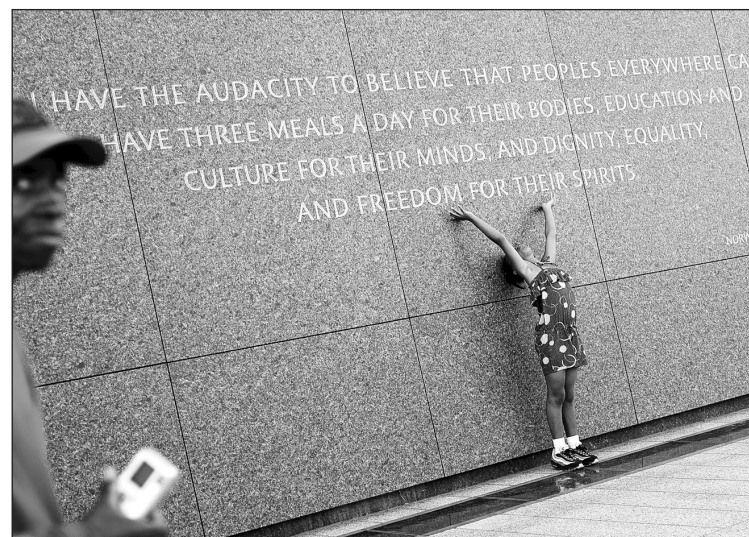
Following the appointment of Lei as sculptor, the foundation was attacked for not having chosen a black American, let alone an American.

But its leaders — including Harry E. Johnson Sr., its president, and Ed Jackson Jr., its executive architect — also ran a blind international design competition that was overseen by an appointed group of architects and designers; the commission was awarded to a San Francisco firm, the Roma Design Group.

And if you look at the early designs and guidelines, you see the nature of the original ambitions. The descriptions on the memorial's website, mlkmemorial.org, speak of King's emphasis on "hope and possibility," and on his belief in "a future anchored in dignity, sensitivity and mutual respect."

Indeed, a 450-foot curving wall offers brief quotations from King's speeches that emphasize his almost heroic faith in the face of unrelenting opposition:

"Darkness cannot drive out darkness," he wrote in 1963, "only light can do that."



A girl poses under an engraved quotation from Martin Luther King Jr. at the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial at the National Mall in Washington, Aug. 23, 2011. The new memorial to the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. will be dedicated on Sunday.

(Philip Scott Andrews/The New York Times)

secrated company that led to the kind of memorial that now exists. There is always an element of kitsch in monumental memorials, a built-in grandiosity that

the Mall. It is unavoidable, too, in the Pantheon-like gazebo that houses the towering figure of Jefferson at the edge of the Tidal Basin.

So it should be no surprise that something similar happens to King. But his statue, by the Chinese sculptor Lei Yixin, goes even further. Those of Jefferson and Lincoln are a mere 19 feet tall; King looms 30 feet up, staring over the Tidal Basin. And he isn't decorously posed in a classical structure; he isn't contained in an ordered

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Trainer Specialty Sushi Chef Richard Bishop from the JW Marriott Desert Springs Resort & Spa in Palm Desert, California is in Aruba to share his knowledge with the Aruba team. With sixteen years of experience in the sushi culinary field, Bishop is spicing up the resorts' Ketsu Sushi Bar menu with refreshing ideas for the future.

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Westin bartenders shake, stir, and mix it up with Bacardi

PALM BEACH –Thirteen bartenders from the Westin Resort & Casino, Aruba competed in a friendly in-house competition sponsored by Bacardi.

The bartenders were tasked with creating an original rum cocktail. It was anything goes as far as creativity, with just one stipulation that all drinks should be mixed "on the rocks."

In addition to cash prizes (generously donated by Bacardi) and gift certificates, the winning bartender's drink will live on in Westin mixology infamy, being added to the resort's cocktail menu. A six-judge panel (three from Westin management and three from Bacardi) sipped, slurped, and savored the drinks, judging them on presentation, taste, ingredient variety, and drink name.

After much deliberation, the panel awarded top prize to Jawri Paniagua for his Red Diamond cocktail with Bacardi Limon, Blue Curacao, Banana, and pineapple juice. Honorable mentions include second place finisher Edgar Geerman and third place bartender Cornelio Tagorda.

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ORANJESTAD – Recently, Mr. William and Mrs. Consuelo Rivas were honored as Ambassador of Goodwill of Aruba, the Rivas couple has been visiting the island for over 30 consecutive years and are loyal members of the Casa Del Mar Beach Resort.

They brought the whole family on this trip for this special celebration and are enjoying themselves very much on their home away from home. The certificate was presented in the name of the Ministry of Tourism by Mr. Ernest Giel from the Aruba Tourism Authority together with Ms. Xiomara Morris Activities Coordinator for the casa Del mar Beach Resort. □

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Hurricane prompts rescheduling of sporting events

By The Associated Press

Hurricane Irene is already leaving its mark on the sports world even before coming ashore.

Professional baseball games, the NFL, tennis matches and MLS games are being rescheduled as the Hurricane approaches the East Coast.

Major League Baseball announced Thursday that it has moved Sunday's scheduled game between the Florida Marlins and Philadelphia Phillies to Saturday afternoon at 1:05 p.m., creating a day-night doubleheader. The Boston Red Sox also moved Sunday's series finale against the Oakland Athletics to Saturday night as part of a day-night doubleheader.

"We felt it was necessary and prudent to move the Sunday game to Saturday," Red Sox President and CEO Larry Lucchino said. "This will not only give us the best opportunity to play the scheduled games, but also help to insure that traveling conditions are safer for our fans."

The Giants and Jets have moved up the starting time of their preseason football game five hours to 2 p.m. Saturday. Giants president and CEO John Mara said Thursday the game was rescheduled so fans would be able to get home safely after the game.

The New Haven Open, the final WTA tuneup before next week's U.S. Open, moved its championship match at Yale to 1 p.m. from 5 p.m. Saturday to avoid the storm.

"Right now it looks like the hurricane is not going to hit until early Sunday morning," said Anne Worcester, the tournament's director.

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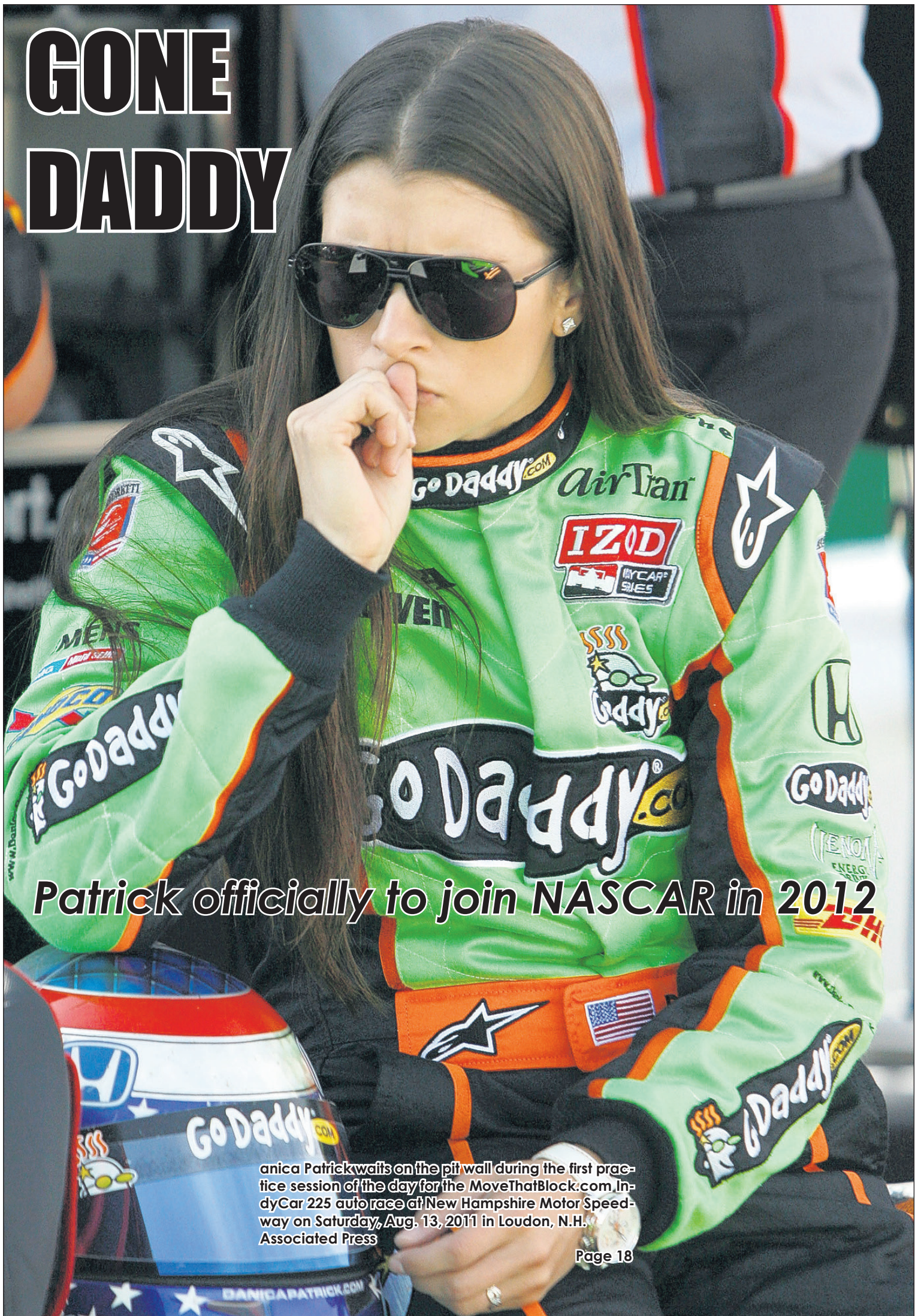
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Patrick officially to join NASCAR in 2012

Danica Patrick waits on the pit wall during the first practice session of the day for the MoveThatBlock.com IndyCar 225 auto race at New Hampshire Motor Speedway on Saturday, Aug. 13, 2011 in Loudon, N.H.

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Patrick to leave IndyCar behind for NASCAR

By JOHN MARSHALL

AP Sports Writer

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP)

— With the not-so-subtle shape of a stock car under cover just in front of her and spotlights glaring in her face, Danica Patrick feigned drama for an announcement everyone already knew was coming. “For breaking news that will shock the world ...,” she said facetiously on Thursday. Peeling the lid off the worst-kept secret in auto racing, Patrick ended months of skirting questions about her future by officially declaring

her plans to leave IndyCar in 2012 to race a full Nationwide season for JR Motorsports and a part-time Sprint Cup schedule with Stewart-Haas Racing.

One of the most marketable stars in auto racing, Patrick had been rumored to be headed to NASCAR even before she ran her first stock race, the ARCA series event at Daytona in 2010. Even while racing limited Nationwide schedules the past two years for Dale Earnhardt Jr.’s team, Patrick had deflected talk of her leaving IndyCar for the



fenders of NASCAR.

That all changed, at least officially, when she signed a contract with GoDaddy.com chairman Bob Parsons in front of TV cameras and a few dozen cheering company employees on Thursday. “If it was about money, I’d have gone a long time ago,” Patrick said from GoDaddy’s offices in north Scottsdale. “I just go where my heart tells me, where my gut tells me to go, where I’m enjoying my life the most, where I feel like I can have the most success. I’ve truly enjoyed my experience in NASCAR, to the point that I want to do it full-time.”

Patrick will run most of her races in the lower-tier Na-

tionwide Series with only a handful of Sprint Cup races, but her switch to NASCAR should be a big boost to a sport that’s been hurt by a sagging economy and a dip in popularity from its heyday just a few years back. With her telegenic looks, mass appeal, not to mention racy Super Bowl ads, Patrick brings something that’s hard to come by: star power.

“We are pleased Danica Patrick has chosen to race full time in NASCAR in 2012,” NASCAR chairman and CEO Brian France said in a statement. “She has demonstrated a strong desire to compete and NASCAR provides the best opportunity to race against the

top drivers in the world with the largest and most loyal fan base in motorsports on a week-to-week basis. Danica has shown solid improvement in NASCAR and we believe her decision to run full time in the NASCAR Nationwide Series, with additional races in the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series, will be exciting for our fans and a great challenge for her.” On the other side of the wheel, Patrick’s decision leaves a big void in IndyCar.

The series has made some big strides under the direction of CEO Randy Bernard, who has aggressively reshaped the sport with innovative marketing approaches. □

Liquigas carries Sagan to Vuelta win

CORDOBA, Spain (AP) — Liquigas carried Peter Sagan to the sixth-stage victory at the Spanish Vuelta on Thursday, and French cyclist Sylvain Chavanel has the overall leader’s red jersey for a third straight day. Sagan was among four Liquigas riders barreling toward the finish, and the Slovakian moved up the inside to sweep over the line ahead of Pablo Lastras of Movistar, who came around the outside of the group to finish second on Thursday. Sagan won the 120-mile stage in 4 hours, 38 minutes, 22 seconds, with the next three spots after Lastras occupied by Liquigas, including defending

champion Vincenzo Nibali, who moved within 16 seconds of Chavanel with a fourth-place finish. “This victory is worth double today because we not only picked up the victory but helped Vincent gain precious seconds in the overall standings,” Sagan said. “My first thought at the end was to encourage Nibali to close the hole with Lastras and give him a chance to cross the line alone. But when the Spaniard jumped I sprinted, I did not want the team to miss out on the opportunity to win.” Chavanel, who finished 17 seconds behind in 10th, leads Daniel Moreno of Spain by 15 seconds with an overall time of 22:41:13.

“The guys from Liquigas really pulled a number on the descent and I lost a few seconds. (But) overall it was a good day,” Chavanel said. “Tomorrow, if there are no surprises, I should be able to hang on to the jersey in an arrival suited to sprinters. I only hope it’s not as hot as it was today and that for at least one day we can all catch our breath.” Joaquin Rodriguez of Spain is 23 seconds behind the QuickStep rider in fourth, two seconds ahead of Danish cyclist Jakob Fuglsang. Friday’s seventh stage sees the Vuelta move further north into the heart of Spain with a 114-mile leg from Almaden to Talavera de la Reina. □



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Couples tells Woods he's on Presidents Cup team



In this April 5, 2010 file photo, Fred Couples, left, and Tiger Woods smile during a practice round for the Masters golf tournament in Augusta, Ga. Couples, the Presidents Cup team co-captain, has told Woods that he decided to add him to the 12-member Presidents Cup team.

Associated Press

SNOQUALMIE, Wash-ton (AP) — U.S. captain Fred Couples has told Tiger Woods that he's add him to the 12-member Presidents Cup team. Couples took the drama out of the debate on Thursday over whether Woods would be on the team.

"I've told him that he's going to be on the team," Couples said just before a practice round preparing for the Boeing Classic at TPC Snoqualmie Ridge. "There is no reason for me to wait till Sept. 26 to pick Tiger. He's the best player in the world forever."

Ten players automatically qualify for the team based on points accumulated over the past two years. Couples is then given two captain's picks to round out his squad, which will compete against a team of non-European International players at Royal Melbourne in Australia from Nov. 14-20.

Woods, who is 28th on the Presidents Cup list, had a long summer layoff because of soreness in his left knee and left Achilles' tendon. He played in two recent tournaments, finishing 37th in the Bridgestone Invitational in early August then missing the cut the following week at the U.S. PGA Championship.

Woods wrote on his website this week that he had conversations with Couples about playing on the team and that "of course, I want to be on the team" that competes in Australia.

"Is he playing well right

now? No. (But) he almost won (The Masters) four months ago so you don't do that by playing poor golf," Couples said. "In my opinion, when you're the best player in the world for 12 straight years and you're not on a team, there's something wrong."

"Everyone else can have their opinion, but as far as I know Jay Haas and myself are the captains and we want him on this team."

Haas is Couples' assistant for these matches.

Couples, initially unaware Woods had not qualified for this week's FedEx Cup, told him by text message to find another tournament to play. Woods' next scheduled appearance is not until the Australian Open, the week before the Cup, although he said he might add a U.S. PGA Tour event to his schedule.

"He has responded to that. I'm pretty sure you'll see him one more time," Cou-

ples said. "That's enough for me. I know the last thing he wants to do is embarrass himself. I think he'll be ready to play. Does that mean he's going to go out and win every point? No, I don't expect that. But I expect him to be sharp and ready to play. I would be shocked if he's not."

Couples has requested that all of his team members play in the Australian Open to sharpen their games before the Presidents Cup. The Australian Open is from Nov. 10-13 at The Lakes near Sydney.

One of the players on the edge of the Presidents Cup standings is Bill Haas, son of Jay Haas. He is ranked 10th with a month to go before the Sept. 26 selection date. Jim Furyk and Rickie Fowler are 11th and 12th.

"I don't know how you can criticize someone for choosing Tiger Woods. If he goes there and doesn't play well I would be shocked. □

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Roddick rolls past Monaco at Winston-Salem Open

WINSTON-SALEM, North Carolina (AP) — Top-seeded Andy Roddick rolled to a 6-1, 6-4 victory over Argentina's Juan Monaco in the Winston-Salem Open quarterfinals on Thursday. Roddick will take on fellow American John Isner in Friday's semifinals. Isner rallied past eighth-seeded Marcos Baghdatis 1-6, 6-3, 6-4.

Roddick needed just more than an hour on a hot afternoon as he dominated with his serve, getting his first serve in 81 percent of the time.

"I didn't feel too much of the heat, to be honest," Roddick said. "I always have done OK in it. I didn't think about it too much out there."

Monaco, who was the seventh seed, gave up nine aces to Roddick and failed to break the American's serve.

Roddick, who appears to be back to full strength after battling an abdominal



Andy Roddick, of the United States returns the ball to Juan Monaco, of Argentina, during the Winston-Salem Open, on Thursday Aug. 25, 2011.

Associated Press

injury the last few weeks, jumped to a 5-0 lead in the first set. He kept the pressure on throughout, and has won three straight matches pretty easily in a

final warmup before next week's U.S. Open.

"I've won the first sets pretty handily this week," Roddick said. "I've been anxious to play and I've been ready

to play, and that sets the tone for the match."

You kind of give yourself a good look in the second set and he's feeling a little more pressure."

The 26-year-old Isner had to fight back from a set down, but once he got his serve going he calmed down and executed his plan.

Isner, ranked 28th, needed all the crowd support he could get to win a match that lasted nearly 2 hours. He advanced to his fourth semifinal of the season.

"Somebody turned up the heat today and the humidity is what really bothered me," Isner said. "I'm a big guy and I'm expending more energy than my opponents because of how much I weigh and I'm sweating bullets out there. It takes a lot out of me."

Isner was also helped by Baghdatis converting just 38 percent of his first serves. In the third set, Isner double-faulted twice as Isner went up 5-4. Isner then served for

the clincher and had three aces with two of the serves reaching 140 mph.

Roddick, who has been here before to compete for the United States in past Davis Cup ties, doesn't expect an easy match against Isner. "It will be completely different than the three matches I've played so far," Roddick said. "The last time we played I went 3 for 3 on break points and that's impossible against him and that doesn't happen all the time."

Isner, who has been staying at home with his parents just a few minutes away, said it's never easy to play Roddick.

"He's been holding serve pretty easily in this event so far. He's similar to me and he relies a lot on his serve. From the baseline he's so fit and in such good shape he won't blow you away from the baseline but he'll make a lot of balls.

"That's what he does very well." □

100 title Bolt's to lose with rivals already out



The June 30, 2011 file photo shows Asafa Powell, from Jamaica, in action during the men's 100m race, at the Athletissima IAAF Diamond League international athletics meeting in the Stade Olympique de la Pontaise in Lausanne, Switzerland.

Associated Press

RAF CASERT
AP Sports Writer

DAEGU, South Korea (AP) — Usain Bolt's path to another 100-meter world championship title looks increasingly easy, with his two main rivals already out of the way. Setting another world record — something that's almost expected of him these days — might prove a lot more difficult. Bolt became an even larger favorite to defend

his title in Daegu this weekend when fellow Jamaican Asafa Powell withdrew from the marquee event with a groin injury. With American sprinter Tyson Gay already having pulled out due to a surgically repaired hip, Powell's absence means Bolt will see few credible challengers beside him in the starting blocks. He won't be looking too closely at the clock though. While Bolt seemed to break

world records seemingly at will a few years ago, his times this year have been somewhat mediocre by his astonishing standards after coming back from injuries that sidelined him for part of last season.

He clocked 9.58 seconds to win the world title in Berlin two years ago, but hasn't come close to that time since.

"I don't think I'm in 9.5 shape," said Bolt, whose best time this year is 9.86. "But I definitely think I will be able to run fast."

Whatever the time, another world title will be another step in his plan to become a "legend" in the sprint game.

If he follows it up with another gold next year at the London Olympics, his place among the track greats will be guaranteed.

"A lot of people have their own goals.

My goal is to become a legend," the 25-year-old Bolt said. "I'm working on it."

Once, it looked like Powell

might be headed for that status as well.

But the former world record-holder has failed to challenge Bolt at the major championship events, and has sometimes been criticized for underperforming when it matters most.

This could have been his best chance to finally change that.

The 28-year-old Powell ran 9.78 seconds in Lausanne, Switzerland, on June 30 for the top time of the season and narrowly lost by .02 seconds to Bolt in Rome on May 26.

But he hurt his groin several weeks ago, and his manager Paul Doyle told The Associated Press on Thursday that the injury was still causing too much trouble for him to compete.

Doyle added that the Jamaican could be fit by the time of the 4x100 relay during the final weekend of the championships.

"The groin strain is still lingering," Doyle said. "He is not quite 100 percent."

Now, Bolt's top challenger

may be Richard Thompson of Trinidad and Tobago, whose best time came this season at 9.85 seconds.

For Gay — who was in Daegu on Thursday for a promotional appearance — that means Bolt has all but locked in the title already.

"He's just a championship performer," Gay said. "He has the edge."

That's hardly a daring prediction. Still, Bolt appreciated the nod.

"I guess he knows what he's talking about," Bolt said. "At the championships, I'm much more focused.

I really want it really bad. ... I've been working hard in training to get everything right for this one moment." Bolt has been contending with back issues, which forced him to shut down his season early in 2010.

He's still attempting to break into the form that led to a sensational showing in Berlin, when he not only broke his world record in the 100 but also his mark in the 200 (19.19) as well. □

Flanagan death ruled suicide by medical examiner

BALTIMORE (AP) — Former Cy Young award winner Mike Flanagan died of a self-inflicted shotgun wound to the head, the Maryland medical examiner ruled Thursday.

A police investigation revealed that the 59-year-old pitcher was upset about financial issues. He left no note.

Flanagan's body was found Wednesday afternoon about 250 feet behind his home.

An investigation showed he was home alone when he took his life.

Flanagan won the Cy Young Award in 1979 and helped the Baltimore Orioles win the 1983 World Series. After his retirement, he worked for the Orioles as a coach and in the front office before settling into a job as color commentator on the team's broadcast network.

Flanagan was scheduled to work this weekend's series against the New York Yankees.

"He was looking forward to broadcasting the Yankees series coming up. He was doing something he loved," said Jim Duquette, who teamed with Flanagan from 2005-07 to attempt to rebuild the Orioles.

According to police, Alex Flanagan last spoke to her husband about 1 a.m. Wednesday. She told police he sounded upset, and he promised he would talk to her later.

When Alex Flanagan did not hear from her husband, she called a neighbor to check on him. The neigh-



In this June 18, 2007, file photo, Baltimore Orioles executive vice president Mike Flanagan speaks during a news conference in Baltimore. Former Cy Young winner Flanagan, who won 167 games over 18 seasons with Baltimore and the Toronto, has died. Authorities found a body outside Flanagan's home on Wednesday afternoon, Aug. 24, 2011, and it was later determined to be the former left-handed pitcher. Flanagan was 59. The Orioles confirmed Flanagan's death Wednesday night.

bor went to the home and called 911 after failing to find him.

Police discovered a body on the property but could not immediately determine the identity because the wounds were so severe.

There was a moment of silence at Yankee Stadium on Thursday before New York faced the Oakland Athletics. Flanagan's picture was posted on the

video board.

Flanagan was a crafty left-hander who went 167-143 with a 3.90 ERA over 18 seasons with Baltimore and Toronto.

He was 141-116 with Baltimore and is a member of the team's Hall of Fame. Flanagan was also the final Oriole to pitch at Memorial Stadium, Baltimore's home from 1954-1991.

During that appearance

out of the bullpen, Flanagan struck out Detroit's Dave Bergman and Travis Fryman, much to the delight of the 50,700 fans that filled the old ballpark one last time.

"He was a wonderful individual and a true Oriole who led by example, played the game with class and brought a lot of happiness to Orioles' fans over his career. He will be missed

tremendously by so many people," said Mike Gibbons, executive director of Sports Legends Museum & the Babe Ruth Birthplace.

The Flanagan family issued this statement Thursday: "We thank you for your support and kind words at this difficult time. Thank you for respecting our privacy as we grieve. A private memorial will be held at a later date." □

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"But, it's not just the actual playing time of the final, but our staff has to break down the site, so it has a lot to do with their safety."

The U.S. Open tennis tournament also was working on contingency plans to try to avoid problems from the hurricane.

As it is, rain on Thursday forced postponement of play in the tournament's qualifying rounds, and action was scheduled to resume at 10 a.m. Friday, an

hour earlier than originally planned. The tournament then will try to have winners play a second match Friday in hopes of wrapping up the qualifying that day so as to avoid having to play Saturday. If the qualifying isn't completed before more rain arrives Saturday, matches could be moved offsite to an indoor facility.

Major League Soccer also changed times or dates for three games scheduled this weekend.

The Philadelphia Union re-

scheduled Sunday's game against New England for 8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 7 at PPL Park in Chester, Pa. The New York Red Bulls moved Sunday's game against L.A. Galaxy to 8 p.m. Tuesday Oct. 4 at Red Bull Arena.

And D.C. United moved Saturday's start time against Portland to 2 p.m. from 7:30 p.m. at RFK Stadium. MLS will continue to monitor the hurricane before making a final determination of the status of that game. □

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Good news, bad news on pregnancy and cancer

Dr. Melanie Bone

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One day a generation will look back on this time and be thunderstruck at the brutality of how we deal with cancer -- chemo, surgery, and radiation.

-- Mindspring User

Dear Mindspring: Bad and

uncommon. Some reports state that 1/1000 pregnant woman are diagnosed with cancer. I think that estimation may be a little high. Even so, many of these cancers are treated with surgery alone, like skin cancers, or treatment is postponed until after delivery. This leaves even fewer babies to study.

Good news: There does not appear to be much long-term "fallout" in children born to women who were treated with chemotherapy or radiation therapy either prior to conception or during pregnancy, but

impact on fetuses makes sense because most of the chemotherapeutic agents used do not cross the placenta and therefore do not get to the baby.

Over the last 20 years I have delivered a handful of babies to mothers who were treated for all sorts of cancers. To the best of my knowledge not a single one had a birth defect or developmental delay because of their exposure to cancer treatments.

Dear Dr. Bone: A friend of mine told me that eating Indian food is good to prevent cancer. Do you agree? He says it has a lot to do with the spices. I find that hard to believe.

-- Hates Dal, West Palm Beach, Fla.

Dear Hates Dal: Indian food has many health properties. It contains a variety of brightly colored and cruciferous vegetables, like cauliflower and broccoli, that are loaded with antioxidants. Indian food also tends to be lower in fat. These alone are good for cancer prevention.

The spice your friend may be referring to is turmeric. Turmeric contains curcumin. Curcumin is an amazing compound. It works to prevent cancer in many ways. It is a natural anti-inflammatory agent. Inflammation is key to developing cancer. Curcumin also interferes with pathways to promote cancer cell growth and invasion. It can also cause cancer cell death. □



good news. Bad news: There are not many studies done on this issue. Why? Because there are not that many people to study. Cancer in pregnant women and in women who have not yet had babies is

after the first trimester. One study followed children into their late teens and did not demonstrate any cognitive or neurological deficits attributable to the treatments. That cancer treatments have little

Hospitals giving faster heart care

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AP Medical Writer

In a spectacular turnabout, hospitals are treating almost all major heart attack patients within the recommended 90 minutes of arrival, a new study finds.

Just five years ago, less than half of them got their clogged arteries opened that fast.

The time it took to treat such patients plunged from a median of 96 minutes in 2005 to only 64 minutes last

year, researchers found. Some hospitals are moving at warp speed: Linda Tisch was treated in a mere 16 minutes after she was stricken while visiting relatives near Yale-New Haven Hospital in Connecticut this month.

Emergency responders called ahead to mobilize a team of heart specialists. Once she arrived, "they had a brief conversation and I went straight into the OR. My family was abso-

lutely flabbergasted," said Tisch, 58, who went home to Westerly, R.I., two days later.

Tisch wasn't a fluke.

The hospital took 26 minutes on another case on Thursday.

"Americans who have heart attacks can now be confident that they're going to be treated rapidly in virtually every hospital of the country," said Yale cardiologist Dr. Harlan Krumholz. □

Report:

Vaccines generally safe, yet some side effects



LAURAN NEERGAARD,

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Vaccines can cause certain side effects but serious ones appear very rare — and there is no link with autism and Type 1 diabetes, the U.S. Institute of Medicine says in the first comprehensive safety review in 17 years. The report released Thursday is not aimed at nervous parents. And the side effects it lists as proven are some that doctors long have known about, such as fever-caused seizures and occasional brain inflammation. Instead, the review comes at the request of the U.S. government's Vaccine Injury Compensation Program, which as the name implies, pays damages to people who are injured by vaccines. U.S. law requires this type of independent review as officials update side effects on that list to be sure they agree with the latest science. "Vaccines are important tools in preventing serious infectious disease across the lifespan, from infancy through adulthood. All health care interventions, however, carry the possibility of risk and vaccines are no exception," said pediatrician and bioethicist Dr. Ellen Wright Clayton of Vanderbilt University, who chaired the institute panel. Still, the report stresses that vaccines generally are safe, and it may help doctors address worries from a small but vocal anti-vaccine movement. Some vaccine-preventable diseases, including

measles, are on the rise.

"I am hopeful that it will allay some people's concerns," Clayton said. The review echoed numerous other scientific reports that dismiss an autism link.

But it found convincing evidence of 14 side effects:

—Fever-triggered seizures, which seldom cause long-term consequences, from the measles-mumps-rubella, or MMR, vaccine.

—MMR also can cause a rare form of brain inflammation in some people with immune problems.

—The varicella vaccine against chickenpox sometimes triggers that viral infection, resulting in widespread chickenpox or a painful relative called shingles. It also occasionally can lead to pneumonia, hepatitis or meningitis.

—Six vaccines — MMR and the chickenpox, hepatitis B, meningococcal and tetanus-containing vaccines.

— can cause severe allergic reactions known as anaphylaxis. —Vaccines in general sometimes trigger fainting or a type of shoulder inflammation. There is suggestive evidence but not proof of a few other side effects, including anaphylaxis from the human papillomavirus, or HPV, vaccine and short-term joint pain in some women and children from the MMR vaccine.

On the other hand, the report cleared flu shots of blame for two long-suspected side effects: Bell's palsy and worsening of asthma. □

Apple's magic enthralls Main Street., Wall Street

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SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — It's easy to forget now, but Apple's magnetism was once confined to a cult-like following of geeks seduced by the elegance and simplicity of the company's computers.

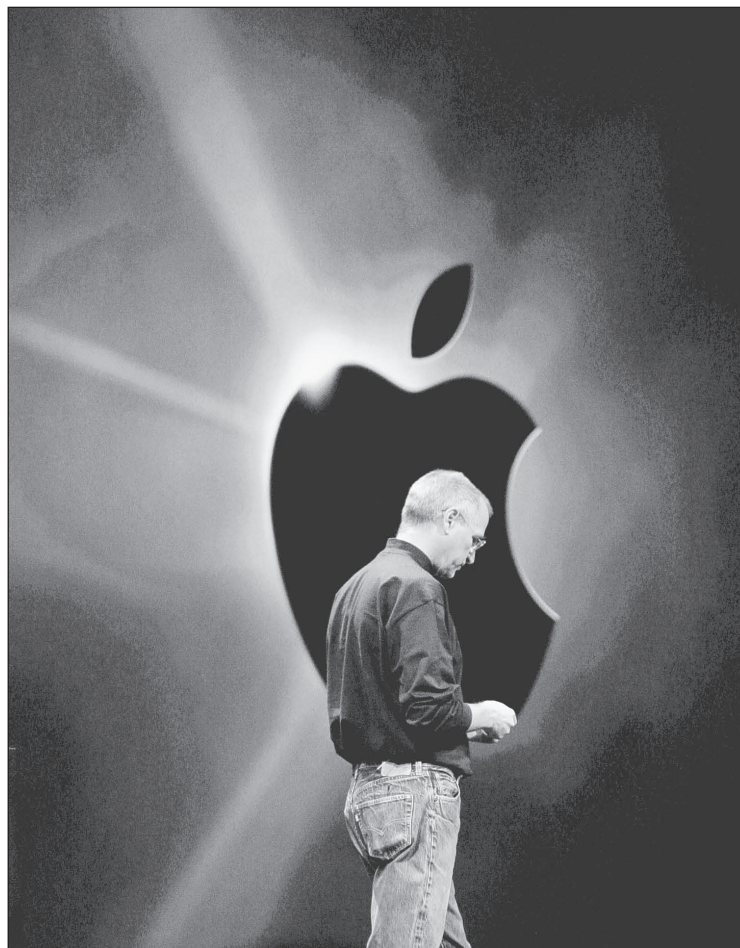
Over the past decade, though, Apple has emerged as a trendsetter and a wealth-making machine — the rare company that appeals to the cool cats hanging out in hip cafes and the fat cats looking to make another killing on Wall Street.

In the process, Apple has left an indelible mark that extends far beyond that first personal computer Steve Jobs and Steve Wozniak introduced 35 years ago. Since then, Apple has transformed the music, retailing, marketing and cellphone industries. Now, it's engineering yet another evolution in computing with the increasingly popular iPad tablet.

Those achievements have endeared Apple to the masses, turning its product announcements into the technology industry's latter-day version of a Beatles concert and turning its familiar logo into an emblem of exquisite taste.

Part visionary, showman and uncompromising taskmaster, Jobs assembled a team that had an incredible knack for anticipating consumer trends and popularizing them by designing devices that were easy — and delightful — to use. Apple didn't invent music players, smartphones or tablet computers, but under Jobs' leadership, the company convinced the masses that the iPod, the iPhone and the iPad were breakthroughs that they couldn't live without.

It seemed as if the second coming of Walt Disney and the rest of the "imagineers" who built Disneyland during the mid-1950s had come to Silicon Valley to lead the way into the 21st century.



Copyright 2011 The n this Jan. 9, 2007 file photo, Apple CEO Steve Jobs unveils the new AppleTV and iPhone during his keynote address at MacWorld Conference & Expo in San Francisco.

Associated Press

In the past decade, Apple's gadgets have transformed society, enabling people to bring along their favorite music, books, videos and websites almost everywhere they go. In the process they inspired countless imitators and ensured that Jobs, who resigned Wednesday, will be remembered as one of the most successful CEOs in American history.

None of it would have happened if Jobs hadn't returned to Apple in 1997 after being pushed out of the company in the mid-1980s by John Sculley, a CEO that Jobs had lured away from PepsiCo Inc. by asking, "Do you want to spend the rest of your life selling sugared water or do you want a chance to change the world?"

Jobs never left any doubt he intended to be a game changer from the time he and Wozniak, a high school buddy, planted Apple in a Silicon Valley garage. With the introduction of the Apple II — the first personal computer to display color graphics — Jobs provided a glimpse of how he would go on to put the "i" into personal technology and

change people's lives.

The innovations kept coming as long as Jobs was at Apple (there was 12-year exile after the falling out with Sculley).

The Mac computer brought a graphical interface that could be clicked with a mouse. The iPod enabled anyone to carry around a library of music in their pocket. The iPhone changed the concept of mobile computing and popularized the catchphrase "there's an app for that." Most recently, the iPad is making the PC look antiquated as it creates more convenient ways to read, watch movies, play games and fetch information from the Internet.

Jobs' wizardry rescued a company on the precipice of bankruptcy and elevated it into the second most valuable business in America. It now has a market value of nearly \$350 billion, behind only Exxon Mobil Corp. — a company whose fortunes are tied to wildly fluctuating oil prices rather than the beauty of a good idea.

Anyone who had the foresight to dip into their retirement accounts to buy

\$100,000 worth of Apple stock on the day Jobs became the company's CEO in September 1997 would be set for life: That investment would be worth more than \$6.8 million now. When he took the job, Jobs foreshadowed the marketing hook for a new product line by calling himself "iCEO" to reflect his initial role as Apple's interim leader.

Just as many love affairs can be fleeting, so can the aura of seemingly invincible companies. It happened to IBM Corp., the computer monolith that Jobs likened to an Orwellian "Big Brother" in a 1984 TV commercial. More recently, auto maker General Motors Corp. needed a bailout from U.S. taxpayers — a far cry from its heyday as the biggest company in the world.

The last test of Jobs' genius may come as he tries to pass on his magical touch to his successor. He believes he has found the right guy in Tim Cook, with whom he has worked closely since 1998. The collaboration doesn't necessarily have to stop because Jobs will still hold an influential role as Apple's chairman.

By all accounts, Cook is a top-notch executive who has proven that he knows how to pull the levers of Apple's mystique. He has run the company during Jobs' three leaves of absence since 2004. He was the one responsible for tuning Apple's manufacturing process to solve chronic product delays and supply problems prevalent when he joined the company in 1998.

Still, it's hard not to shake the feeling that this may be the beginning of the end of an era — both technological zealots trying to figure out when the iPhone 5 is coming out and nervous investors wondering whether to buy or sell the company's stock.

"Oh my goodness, I was terribly shocked!" said Chris Perez, 32, as he stood outside an Apple store in north Phoenix on Wednesday night. "He was the man that came up with everything 'i.'" □

RIM launches BBM Music

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Associated Press

TORONTO (AP) — Research In Motion launched a new service Thursday that allows BlackBerry users to share music with friends.

BBM Music allows BlackBerry users to select 50 songs from a catalog of millions of tracks for their own personal playlist, said Alistair Mitchell, RIM's vice president of BBM platform and integrated services. BBM users can share songs from that list with friends who use the instant messenger service.

"By threading the culture, the immediacy and the trusted contacts that (make up) BBM with music we thought we could create a really compelling, unique experience," said Mitchell.

"Through BBM Music I can find out in real time what music matters to my friends ... I'm seeing music bubble up that I wouldn't even had thought about, or it's reminding me about music from my college days."

Users will pay US\$4.99 a month for the BBM Music service. A closed trial run of the service began in Canada, the U.S. and the U.K. Thursday, leading up to a wide release in 18 countries overall later this year.

RIM is hoping the program will leverage the 45 million BBM users to help the Waterloo, Ontario-based company to compete with its rivals, Apple's iPhones and Google Android devices.

"More than 45 million customers already love the social communication benefits delivered through BBM and we are thrilled to be extending the experience into a uniquely social and interactive music service," said Mike Lazaridis, RIM president and co-CEO.

RIM said music can be saved to smartphones to listen to while offline and users can keep track of how many friends are listening to your tracks. □

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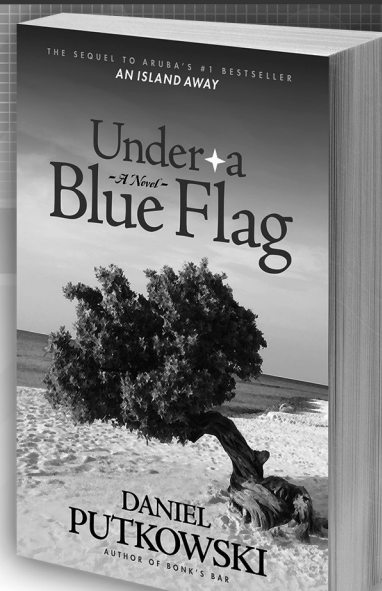


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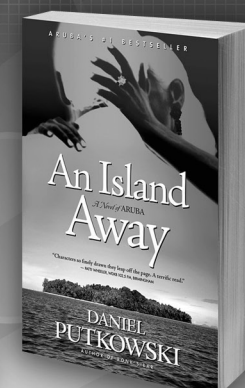
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In this May 2, 2011 file photo, Warren Buffett, left, Chairman and CEO of Berkshire Hathaway gestures during an interview, in Omaha, Neb. Buffett, in a New York Times opinion piece, is calling on the so-called mega-rich to pay more in taxes, and right, the Bank of America building is shown at the Bank of America Plaza in downtown Los Angeles.

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Buffett gives \$5 billion vote of confidence to BofA

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NEW YORK (AP) — Warren Buffett comes to the rescue again. Buffett's Berkshire Hathaway Inc. announced Thursday that it would invest \$5 billion in Bank of America Corp., a much-needed vote of confidence that sent the beleaguered bank's stock soaring 9 percent.

"Buffett is Bank of America's white knight," said Glenn Schorr, bank analyst at Nomura equity research.

The legendary investor said in a prepared statement that he reached out to Bank of America CEO Brian Moynihan to say he wanted to invest because he considered the bank a "strong, well-led company."

Lately, the market has rendered a different verdict.

As recently as Tuesday, Bank of America's stock had plunged 50 percent from a year ago on concerns over its mortgage problems and worries that it would have to sell large amounts of stock to shore up its balance sheet. The sell-off was seen as a major challenge for the bank and Moynihan, who has been at the helm since January 2010.

While Buffett's \$5 billion investment is like a drop in the bucket at the largest U.S. bank with \$2.2 trillion in assets, it comes with an imprimatur of confidence that is worth a lot more. In that sense, Buffett's investment is largely symbolic.

"The investment eliminates the big credibility gap that

management had with investors," said Jonathan Finger, partner of Houston-based Finger Interests Ltd., a long-time shareholder that owns 1.1 million shares.

"It's time now to demonstrate they have a plan to grow the business," he said. Bank of America had cash and cash-equivalent securities of \$402 billion at the end of second quarter. Its cash level is at the highest level in the bank's history, bank's spokesman Jerry Dubrowski said.

Much of the Charlotte, North Carolina bank's problems, however, stem from its 2008 purchase of the nation's largest mortgage lender, Countrywide Financial Corp., but it faces a litany of other challenges.

The bank lost \$15.3 billion in the last four quarters. Its revenue fell 34 percent in the first half of 2011 from the same period a year ago, to \$40 billion, after new regulations prevented it from collecting fees from checking account overdrafts and credit cards.

Half of all U.S. households have an account or do business with it, making it more exposed than rivals to weakness in the economy.

Investors' confidence in the bank took another blow this month as its mortgage headaches got worse.

On Aug. 8, American In-

ternational Group Inc. sued the bank for more than \$10 billion, saying it deceived the insurer by selling it faulty mortgage investments. The bank has already paid a total of \$12.7 billion this year to settle similar claims. The slide in the stock intensified, falling as much as 36 percent just this month.

Moynihan, the CEO, has been trying to engineer a turnaround by selling assets, cutting expenses and closing branches. In an effort to calm investors, the embattled chief executive took to the airwaves to say that the bank will not need to raise more capital.

It didn't help. Investors became even more impatient with the bank.

Then, Buffett, the folksy billionaire, turned his eyes toward Bank of America.

On Wednesday, Buffett got his idea for investing in the bank while sitting in a bathtub, he told CNBC. Buffett's assistant called Moynihan's office, asking that the CEO contact Buffett on his personal number. One of the most successful and respected investors of all time, Buffett has lent his credibility to several other icons of American business at times when investors' confidence in them was waning.

His moves are followed closely by millions of investors worldwide. □

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Stocks sink, ending a three-day rally; Dow off 170

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AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — A three-day stock rally ended much like it began, with a steep and sudden turn.

Stocks started higher early Thursday but turned lower within 20 minutes. Indexes in the U.S. and Europe sank after Germany's main stock index, the DAX, suddenly dipped 4 percent. Traders struggled to explain the dive.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 170.89 points, or 1.5 percent, to close at 11,149.82. It had been up

85 points shortly after the opening bell.

Morgan Stanley gained 2.7 percent and Citigroup Inc. 4.8 percent. BofA and American Express Co. were the only companies in the Dow to rise.

This week's trading has been marked by a series of sudden reversals. Robert Stein, a money manager responsible for \$1.2 billion at Astor Asset Management, said questions about the economy have made investors uncertain and the stock market more volatile. Gains made one day



In this file photo taken Feb. 17, 2011, Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke testifies on Capitol Hill in Washington, before the Senate Banking Committee.

Associated Press

mark for most money managers, has gained 3 percent this week but is still down 10 percent for the month. Thursday's drop broke a three-day rally in which the Dow gained 503 points.

Paul Zemsky, chief investment officer of ING Investment Management in New York, said this week's gains were a result of investors bargain-hunting after stocks fell too far over the past month. He also said some of the gains were caused by technical trading as investors bought shares in order to exit short positions, or bets that the market would continue to fall.

Zemsky expects to see more big swings as long as the fear of recession hangs over the market. "People are trying to adjust their positions to news," he said. "Once it's clear where the economy is headed, I think things will calm down."

There's plenty of speculation about whether Ben Bernanke will offer more support for the economy. It was at the same symposium last year that Bernanke first laid out an argument for the central bank's \$600 billion bond-buying program.

Zemsky thinks there's little chance Bernanke will announce any new action. "There's nothing more than hope that Bernanke will drop a gift from the sky." More than three stocks fell for every one that rose on the New York Stock Exchange. Trading volume was above average at 5 billion shares. □

GM cutting truck production next month

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AP Auto Writer

DETROIT (AP) — General Motors Co. is cutting its production of pickup trucks next month, a sign that truck sales aren't as robust as the company had hoped.

Spokesman Tom Wickham said Thursday that GM cancelled five scheduled overtime shifts on Saturdays in September and October.

Wickham didn't know how many vehicles would be involved, but the Flint, Michigan, plant where the pickups are made can produce 900 trucks per day.

Full-size pickup truck sales were up 9 percent for the year through July in the U.S., compared with a year earlier, according to Auto-data Corp.

But that increase was smaller than the industry saw as

a whole. Continuing weakness in the housing and construction sectors has dampened demand for trucks. Sales of the Chevrolet Silverado, GM's best-selling truck, were up 7 percent.

GM rehired 750 laid-off auto workers for a third shift at the Flint plant earlier this month, saying it needed the extra production to keep up with demand for heavy-duty trucks.

Auto analysts have questioned the move, pointing out that GM's truck inventory is already at higher than normal levels and truck sales have been sluggish with continuing weakness in the construction industry. At the end of July, GM had 115 days' worth of pickups to sell. An 80-day supply is more typical.

GM's Vice President of Sales



In this Jan. 24, 2011 file photo, batteries are installed in the 2011 Chevrolet Silverado and GMC Sierra heavy-duty pickups assembly line at the Flint Assembly in Flint, Mich.

Associated Press

Don Johnson has acknowledged the high inventory, but said the company is anticipating higher truck sales in the second half of this year. He also said GM wants a healthy supply of trucks in 2012, when it plans to shut down several truck plants to change over to new products. □

can disappear the next, or even in the same day.

"We're not seeing anything that's convincingly bearish enough to call another recession, but nothing optimistic enough to suggest that a recovery is going to regenerate," Stein said.

Friday could be another day of big swings as Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke gives a highly anticipated speech at a conference in Jackson Hole, Wyoming.

Earlier Thursday, the government reported an increase in the number of first-time claims for unemployment benefits last week.

The Labor Department said applications for benefits rose to 417,000, the highest in five weeks. The figure was inflated by a strike at Verizon which ended earlier this week.

The S&P 500 index fell 18.33 points, or 1.6 percent, to 1,159.27. The Nasdaq fell 48.06 points, or 1.9 percent, to 2,419.63.

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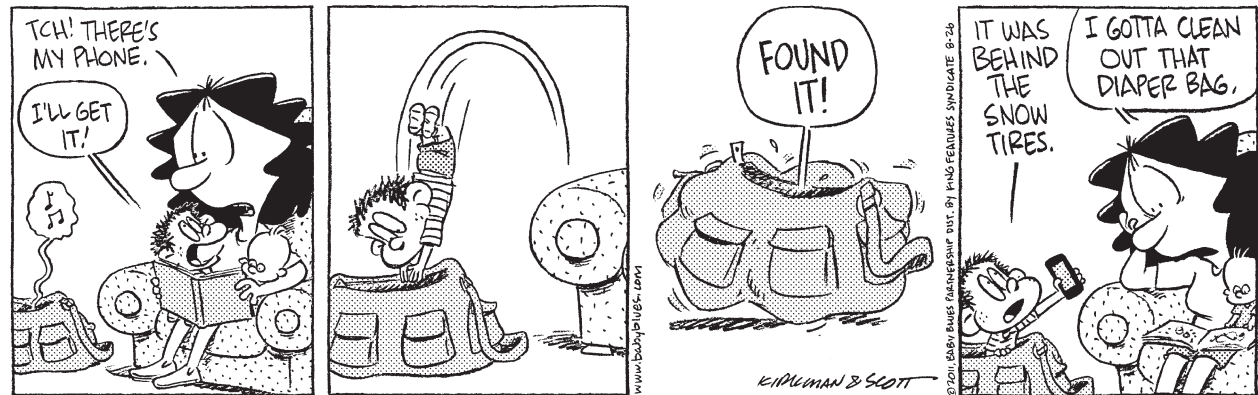
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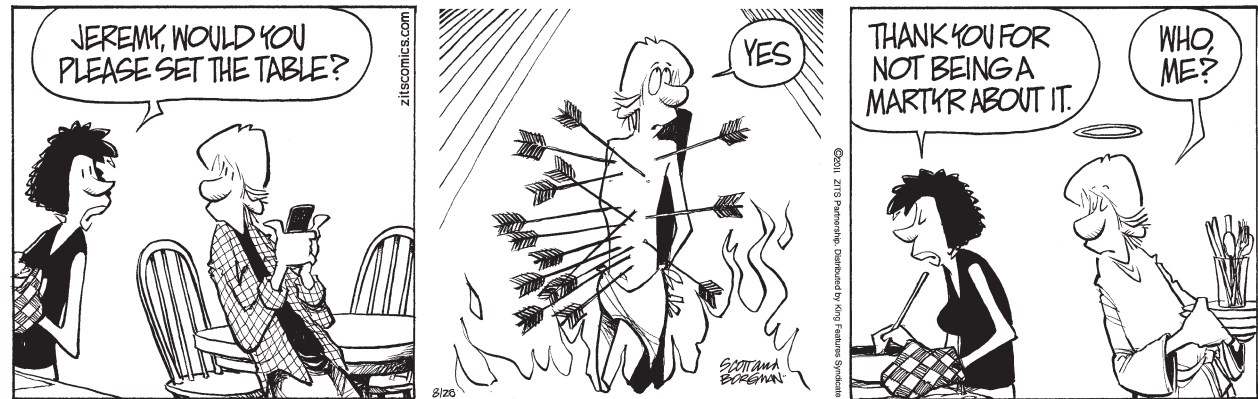
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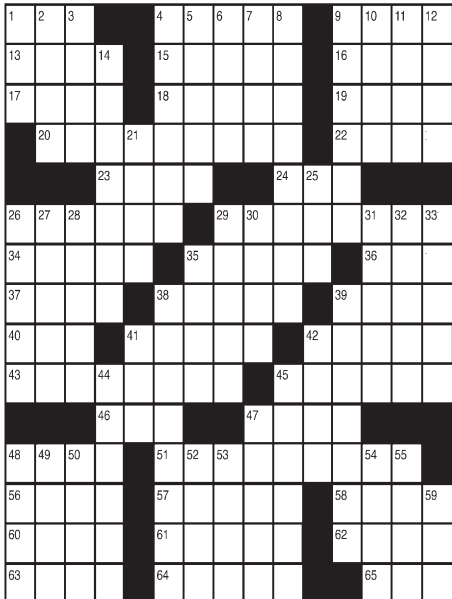
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Yesterday's puzzle answer

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- 17 Bath powder
- 18 ___ cotta; patio pot material
- 19 Lima's nation
- 20 Misleading
- 22 Split ___; frayed hair tips
- 23 All ___; listening
- 24 Fond du __, WI
- 26 Go by, as time
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- 57 Overdramatize
- 58 Teller's call
- 60 Old Roman robe
- 61 Name ___; make accusations
- 62 Stare openmouthed
- 63 Job opening
- 64 Lock of hair
- 65 Cured salmon



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Thursday's Puzzle Solved

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- 39 ___ appropriate; considering fit
- 50 "Othello" villain
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- 52 Actor Sharif
- 42 Skinny
- 53 Capitol roof feature, often
- 44 Passé
- 54 Ardor; passion
- 45 Embrace
- 55 1967 Montreal World's Fair
- 47 Allocates
- 59 "The Lone Star State": abbr.
- 48 Crawling bugs
- 49 Nonchalant

Today in History

Today is Friday, August 26, the 238th day of 2011. There are 127 days left in the year. **Highlights in history on this date:**

1071 - Turkish Seljuks beat the Byzantine forces at the Battle of Manzikert (now Malazgirt, Turkey), gaining entry into Anatolia and opening the road to Europe.

1346 - English archers defeat French knights at Battle of Crecy in northern France.

1995 - The Communist Party in Russia starts a campaign that calls for resurrection of the Soviet state that collapsed in 1991.

1998 - A 3-week-old rebellion reaches the outskirts of Congo's capital, Kinshasa, and hundreds of soldiers are killed or wounded.

2003 - Rwandan President Paul Kagame is the overwhelming winner of presidential elections. The election was the first since the 1994 genocide.

2006 - The government of East Timor hails a U.N. Security Council decision to authorize 1,600 international police to help restore stability after clashes between rival security forces in the capital spill into gang warfare, looting and arson.

2007 - Massive fires consume large areas of southern Greece for a third day and race toward the site of the ancient Olympics. At least 57 people have been killed in the country's worst wildfires in decades.

2008 - Russia recognizes the independence claims of two Georgian breakaway regions, Abkhazia and South Ossetia.

2009 - The last of the Kennedys who fascinated the U.S. with their ambition, style, idealism, tragedies — and sometimes sheer recklessness — Edward Moore Ken-



Today is Branford Marsalis's Birthday

nedy dies at 77. He was the Senate's dominant liberal and most skillful dealmaker. 2010 - The Taliban hints they may launch attacks against foreigners helping Pakistan respond to the worst floods in the country's history, saying their presence was "unacceptable." The U.N. says it will not be deterred by violent threats.

Today's Birthdays:

Sir Robert Walpole, first prime minister of Britain (1676-1745); Antoine Laurent Lavoisier, French scientist (1743-1794); Guillaume Apollinaire, French poet (1880-1918); Peggy Guggenheim, U.S. art collector (1898-1979); Albert Sabin, Polish microbiologist, developed oral polio vaccine (1906-1993); Julio Cortazar, Argentinian writer (1914-1984); Branford Marsalis, U.S. jazz musician (1960--); Macaulay Culkin, U.S. actor (1980--).

Thought for Today:

Nothing has really happened until it has been recorded — Virginia Woolf, English author and critic (1882-1941). □

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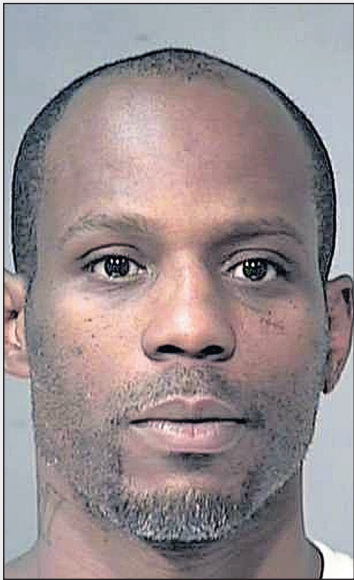
Rapper DMX arrested for speeding in US suburb

PHOENIX (AP) — The rapper known as DMX has been arrested for speeding in the Phoenix metropolitan area.

Arizona Department of Public Safety spokesman Carrick Cook told The Associated Press that the 40-year-old rapper was arrested Wednesday night and bonded out of jail Thursday morning. His real name is Earl Simmons.

The highway patrol pulled Simmons on a highway in the Phoenix suburb of Mesa after he was clocked on radar driving at 102 mph (164 kph).

Simmons was cited for criminal speed, driving on a suspended and revoked license and reckless driving. He was released from an Arizona state prison last month after his probation was revoked for failing to submit to drug testing and driving on a suspended license. □



Rapper DMX, whose name is Earl Simmons, is shown in this August 2011 booking photo in Phoenix provided by the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office. Simmons was arrested by Arizona Department of Public Safety officers Wednesday, Aug. 24, 2011, for speeding at 102 mph. Simmons was cited for criminal speed, driving on a suspended and revoked license and reckless driving. (AP Photo)

Jaime Pressly pleads no contest to driving drunk

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Actress Jaime Pressly has been sentenced to three years of informal probation after pleading no contest to drunken driving.

Deputy City Attorney Melanie Skehar says Pressly's attorney entered the plea Thursday for the former star of "My Name is Earl."

Pressly was also ordered to attend a six-month alcohol education class. Skehar says the Department of Motor Vehicles is also requiring an ignition locking device be installed on her car.

Pressly was arrested Jan. 5 after police say she was stopped for a traffic violation and charged with driving while having a blood alcohol content of more than .20. The legal limit is .08.



Actress Jaime Pressly through her attorney pleaded no contest Thursday, Aug. 25, to drunken driving and was ordered to spend three years on probation and do a 6-month alcohol education program. (AP Photo/Dan Steinberg, file)

Her attorney, Richard Hutton, did not immediately return a phone message seeking comment. □

Carrey launches website with video love letter

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Jim Carrey is launching his new website with a bang.

The 49-year-old actor posted a video love letter to "The Help" star Emma Stone on www.jimcarrey-trulife.com Wednesday that many online deemed "creepy." The one-minute, 53-second video shows Carrey speaking into a handheld camera and sincerely professing his love for the 22-year-old actress. Carrey says Stone is "all the way beautiful. Not just pretty, but smart, and kind-hearted" and that "if I were a lot younger, I would marry you." He goes on to say they would have "chubby little freckle-faced kids." The popular video crashed Carrey's new site early Thursday. Carrey said on Twitter that the video "was a comedy routine."

Stone has not responded publicly to the video. Her publicist did not reply to an email seeking comment Thursday. □



Actor Jim Carrey arrives at the premiere of the feature film "Mr. Popper's Penguins" in Los Angeles. Carrey has declared his love for "The Help" actress Emma Stone via a comical personal video message on his new website.

(AP Photo/Dan Steinberg, file)

Wahlberg brothers pay for NY firm's burger name

ROCHESTER, New York (AP)

— Actor brothers Donnie and Mark Wahlberg have licensed the name of a hamburger from a western New York chain of drive-in-style restaurants and plan to use it for their new eatery in Boston.

Executives with Tom Wahl's tell the Democrat and Chronicle newspaper the brothers have licensed the Wahlburger name from the company so they can use it when they and another sibling, Paul, open a burger joint named Wahlburgers Restaurant in their hometown. Tom Wahl's serves a cheeseburger called a Wahlburger and owns the federal trademark rights to the name.

Tom Wahl opened the first Tom Wahl's restaurant in 1955 in Avon, south

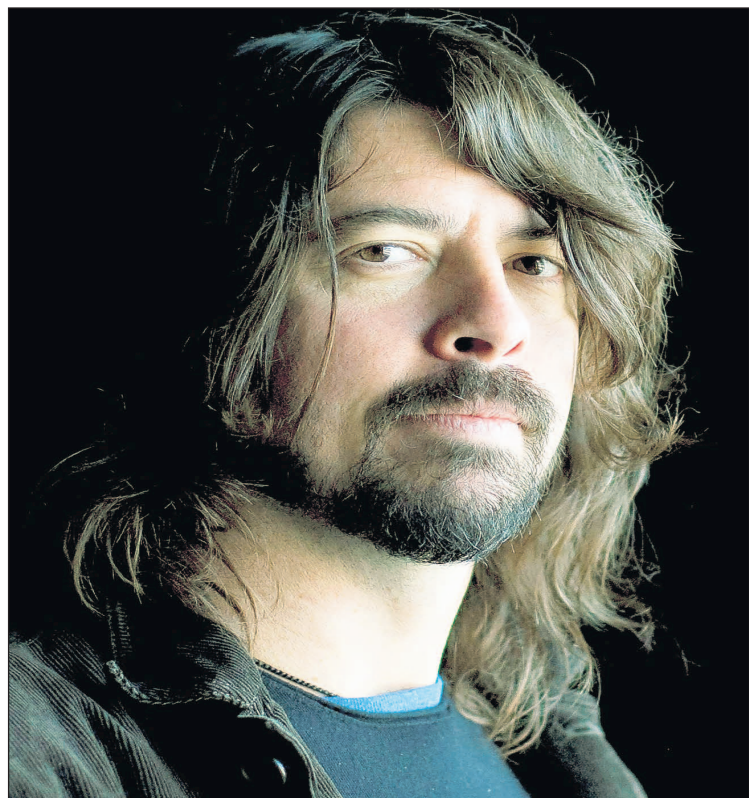


Actor brothers Donnie and Mark Wahlberg have licensed the name of a hamburger from a western New York chain of drive-in-style restaurants and plan to use it for their new eatery in Boston.

of Rochester. He sold it in 1986. The chain now operates eight restaurants.

The company hasn't disclosed the amount of the licensing agreement. □

Jon Stewart to host session with Nirvana members



Dave Grohl of the Foo Fighters and formerly of Nirvana is pictured in Toronto. Comedy Central's Jon Stewart will host a Q&A session with the surviving members of Nirvana to celebrate the 20th anniversary of its album "Nevermind." Stewart will host the event on SiriusXM for two hours on Sept. 24.

(AP Photo/The Canadian Press, Chris Young, file)

NEW YORK (AP) — Comedy Central's Jon Stewart will host a Q&A session with the surviving members of rock band Nirvana to celebrate the 20th anniversary of its album "Nevermind."

Stewart will host the event on SiriusXM for two hours on Sept. 24. It will feature fans, Nirvana band members Dave Grohl and Krist Novoselic, and Butch Vig, the producer behind "Nevermind." Kurt Cobain, the band's lead singer, committed suicide in 1994.

"Nevermind" was the band's second album and has sold 10 million units in the United States. It features Nirvana's biggest hit, "Smells Like Teen Spirit." Grohl is now the lead singer of the Foo Fighters.

SiriusXM will also launch the all-Nirvana channel, Nevermind Radio, on Sept. 23 until Sept. 28. □

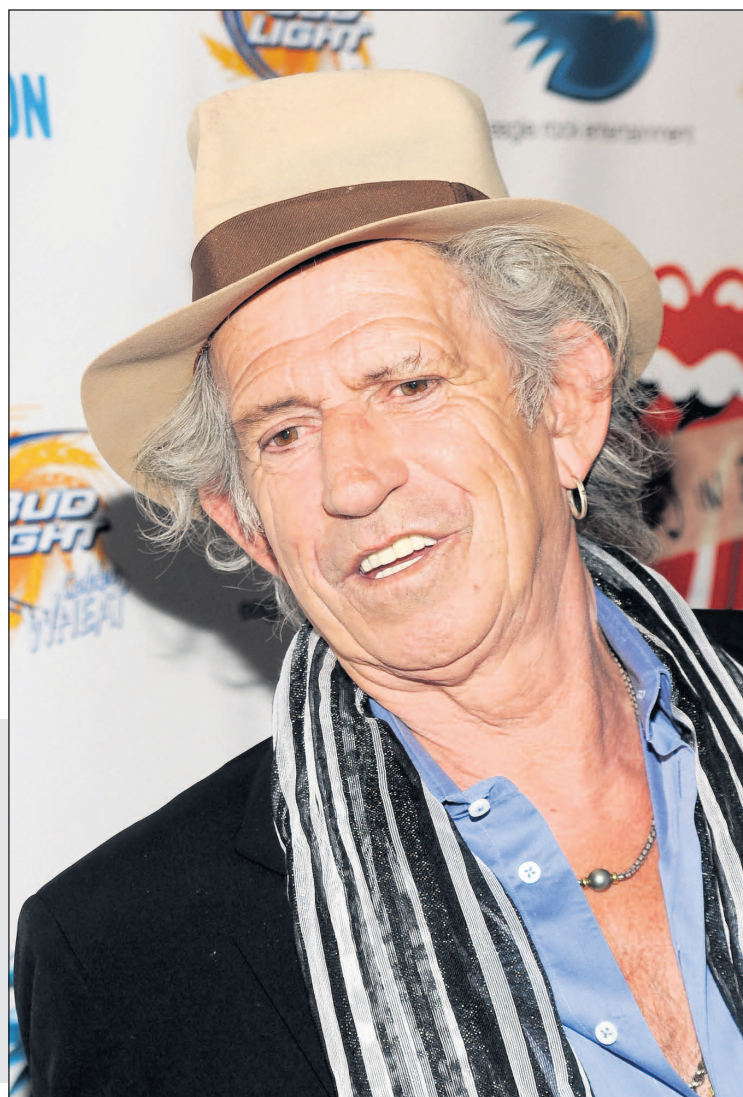
Keith Richards memoir 'Life' goes platinum

NEW YORK (AP) — Keith Richards has gone platinum as an author.

The Rolling Stones' memoir, "Life," has sold more than 1 million copies since coming out last fall.

"Hail to the Keef!" Little, Brown and Company publisher Michael Pietsch in a statement Thursday, noting that "Life" was among the best-selling rock memoirs of all time.

The 67-year-old Richards received more than \$7 million for his book, which received almost universal raves. □



Musician Keith Richards of The Rolling Stones attends a special screening of their new documentary "Stones In Exile" at The Museum of Modern Art in New York. Richards has sold more than 1 million copies of his memoir since coming out last fall.

(AP Photo/Evan Agostini, File)



Bailee Madison attends the "Don't Be Afraid of the Dark" premiere in New York.

(AP Photo/Charles Sykes, File)

Young actress brings soul to del Toro film

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Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — Bailee Madison consoles an interviewer who confesses to being too much of a wimp to sit through her scary new film, "Don't Be Afraid of the Dark." "You're not a wimp," the 11-year-old says. "You're good," and then earnestly promises to share a "movie night" with the reporter.

Her film mates say the response is typical of Madison, an actress who shows composure and professionalism commensurate with her acting experience — she's appeared in more than a dozen films and TV shows, despite her young age.

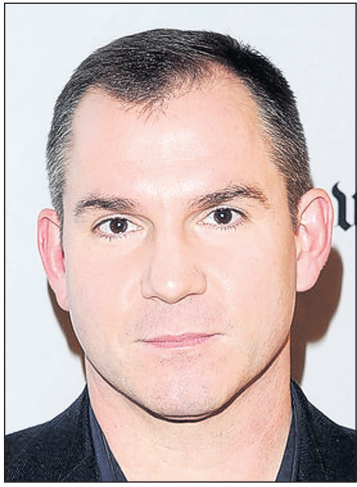
Madison says that co-star Katie Holmes was very protective of her during filming of the dark tale about a girl who discovers nasty creatures in her new house who want to claim her as one of their own. "She made sure that I was alright and she really took care of me and I really appreciate that."

Guillermo Del Toro, who co-wrote and produced the gothic thriller opening Friday, recalled things differently. He said the crew was very concerned for the young actress when she had to scream during a particularly tense scene, but as soon as they yelled "cut," Madison turned to Holmes and asked her, "Are you okay? Is there anything I can do for you?"

"It was Bailee worried about Katie," de Toro said with a laugh. He joked that he's not even sure Madison is a little girl. "I think she's possessed. She's about 70-years-old in her little body. She's possessed by Madeleine Albright or something."

Madison attributes her mature attitude to her family, who keeps her "grounded." She says she is now used to being called an "old soul" and considers it a "huge compliment" — at least now that she's gotten her mom to explain what it means. □

Unsavory culinary elitism



FRANK BRUNI
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Anthony Bourdain, the part-time chef and full-time celebrity, has a tongue on him. It's the sharpest knife in his set. He has used it to carve up vegans, whom he called the "Hezbollah-like splinter faction" of vegetarians, and the culinary moralist Alice Waters, whose rigidity is "very Khmer Rouge."

The latest to be slashed: Paula Deen. For the uninitiated, she's the deep-fried doyenne of a fatty, buttery subgenre of putatively Southern cooking. And Bourdain, in an interview with TV Guide published last week, branded her an outright menace to America, scolding her for "telling an already obese nation that it's OK to eat food that is killing us."

To this he added a gratuitous schoolyard-crass putdown of Deen cuisine.

Which certainly isn't my cup of lard. But it bothers me no more than his ill-timed elitism, which Deen nailed in her response.

"Not everybody can afford to pay \$58 for prime rib or \$650 for a bottle of wine," she told The New York Post. "My friends and I cook for regular families who worry about feeding their kids and paying the bills."

Put aside her one-with-the-masses pose, ludicrous in light of the millions she has made from television shows, cookbooks, cookware, mattresses and more. She's otherwise 100 percent justified in assailing the culinary aristocracy, to which even a self-styled bad boy like Bourdain belongs, for an often selective, judgmental and unforgiving worldview.

And her retort exposes class tensions in the food world that sadly mirror those in society at large. You can almost imagine Bourdain and Deen as political candidates, a blue-state paternalist squaring off against a red-state populist over correct living versus liberty in all its artery-clogging, self-destructive glory.

To give him his due: we are too fat and must address that. But getting Deen to unplug the waffle iron doesn't strike to the core of the problem any more than posting fast-food calorie counts or taxing soft drinks. A great deal of American obesity is attributable to the dearth of healthy food that's affordable and convenient in low- and even middle-income neighbor-

hoods, and changing that requires a magnitude of public intervention and private munificence unlikely in such pinched times.

On some level, Bourdain gets this, or used to. When he denigrated Waters, he did so — rightly — because of what he deemed her fantasy that recession-era Americans would "start buying expensive organic food and running to the green market."

Some of Deen's fans have the means for mesclun. They're not consigned to overloads of animal fat; they elect it. But then so do plenty of New York gourmands who favor pate and duck confit, both on the menu at Bourdain's Brasserie Les Halles restaurant in Manhattan.

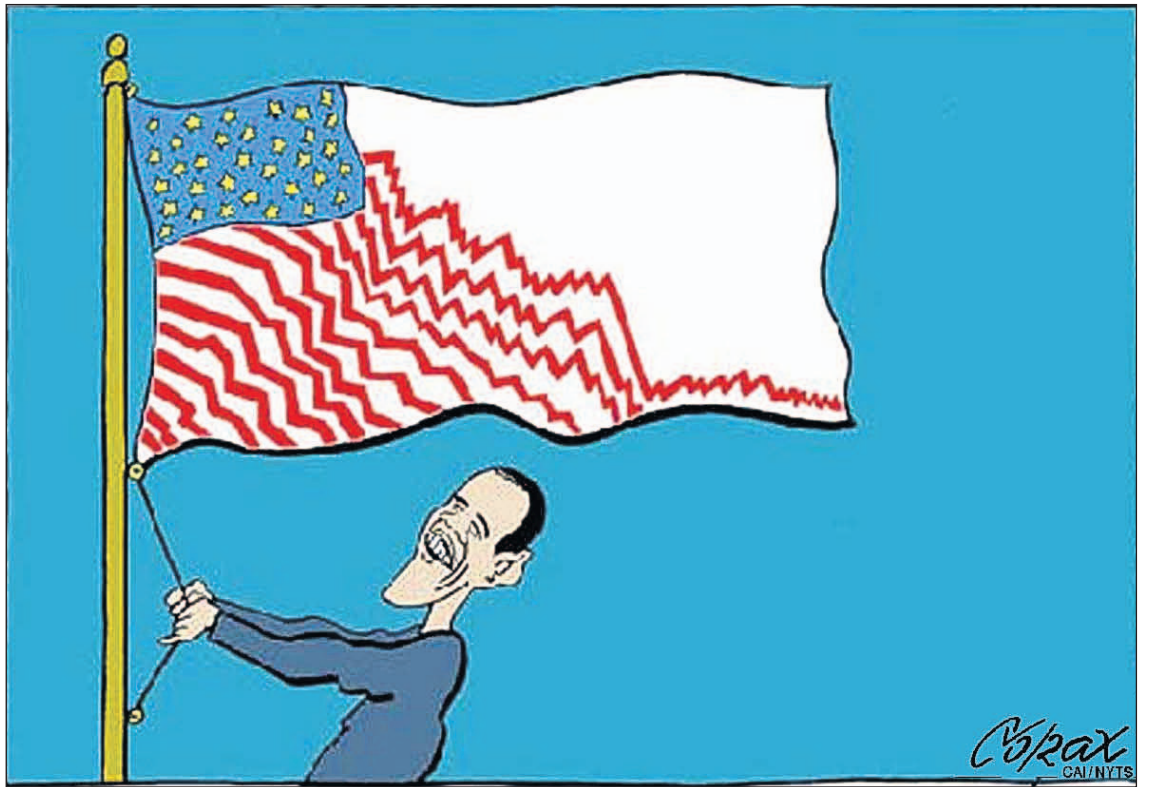
When Deen fries a chicken, many of us balk. When the Manhattan chefs David Chang or Andrew Carmellini do, we grovel for reservations and swoon over the homey exhilaration of it all. Her strips of bacon, skirting pancakes, represent heedless gluttony. Chang's dominoes of pork belly, swaddled in an Asian bun, signify high art.

There's some class-inflected hypocrisy in the food world, where the center seems to be ceding territory to two wings: the self-appointed sophisticates and the supposed rubes. And the latter — represented by Deen and other objects of Bourdain's ire, including Rachael Ray and Sandra Lee — have come on strong over the last few years.

They're champions of downscale cooking that's usually more affordable and easier to master, and they're the most luminous stars of the expanding Food Network, whose 3-year-old publishing offshoot, the Food Network Magazine, recently announced a projected circulation increase to 1.4 million copies. That would put it just 100,000 copies behind the more establishment-approved Bon Appetit. The establishment's former darling, Gourmet, died in 2009. What just recently sprouted in its place is an even more rarefied journal, Lucky Peach, a literary quarterly that costs \$10 an issue. Its first one showcased an interview with Bourdain about culinary mediocrity.

I prefer it to Food Network Magazine. And I prefer his TV show, "No Reservations," a summons to eat adventurously around the world, to any of Deen's.

But these preferences reflect privileges and don't entitle me, Bourdain or anyone else who trots the globe and visits ambitious restaurants — the most casual of which can cost \$50 a person and entail hourlong waits — to look down on food lovers without the resources, opportunity or inclination for that. Besides, treating Deen, Lee & Co. with anything that smacks of moralizing and snobbery isn't likely to move them or their audience toward healthier eating. It's apt to cook up resentment. And we've got enough ill will and polarization in our politics. Let's not set a place for them at the table. □



Obama in the valley



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In 1970, the Japanese robotist Masahiro Mori coined the phrase "uncanny valley." In the field of robotics, and increasingly in computer animation, it refers to the theory that people feel good about robots — up to a point. When they start to look almost real, but not quite, we experience an eerie and unsettling sense of revulsion.

I have often thought that there must be an uncanny valley of politics, a point at which particular politicians rouse our discomfort because there's something about them that people connect with, but there's something else about them — intangible, unbelievable and not relatable — that produces a sense of unease.

It can be found in the "Artificial

Intelligence" of Michele Bachmann and her pull-the-string-in-the-middle-of-my-back compulsion to repeat the same red-meat responses no matter the question. It's the Buzz Lightyear-come-to-life bravado of Rick Perry, complete with delusions of grandeur and accomplishment. And it's pretty much everything about the mechanical "I, Republican" Mitt Romney.

But one person I never thought would fall into this valley was Barack Obama, the charismatic candidate who electrified the electorate in 2008 and whom many saw as the fulfillment of the dream of the even-more-electrifying Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Yet here Obama is, down in the valley, struggling to connect with the American people and failing, increasingly coming across as dispassionate to some and outright revolting to others.

Of course, Republicans haven't helped. They're absolutely committed to, and obsessed with, his failure. But that cannot be the excuse. Great leadership isn't shaped in the absence of opposition but in the presence of it. Great leaders draw us together by our universal humanity; they galvanize the wills of the willing; they draw clarity for the spigot of chaos.

But that is not how this president is performing at this critical moment, and people are growing increasingly unhappy with him. A Gallup poll released Aug. 15 found that Obama's approval rating had fallen to the lowest level of his presidency, and Gallup polls released a few days later found that the number of people not satisfied with the direction of the country and who disapproved of the president's performance on the economy, budget deficit, job creation, education and foreign affairs had reached the highest levels of the administration.

The country needs the president to rise to this crisis in word, spirit and deed. We need him to reach out of his nature and into the nation's need.

We are on the precipice. There's growing concern that we may slip into a second, more painful recession.

There is little optimism that the housing crisis will loosen its grip on the economy anytime soon. The unspeakable truth is that we may well be on the leading edge of a prolonged period of national stagnation, if not decline.

A robotic Sustainer-in-Chief with an eerie inhumanity will not satisfy. At this moment, we need less valley and more mountaintop. □



Strolling artists, bearing iphones

TODD LAPPIN

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SAN FRANCISCO — At first glance, it looked like another throng of tourists passing through San Francisco's Chinatown. Yet one thing made this group stand out: Everyone was taking pictures, but no one was using a traditional camera. No heavy DSLRs weighed down neck straps. No point-and-shoot cameras dangled from wrists.

Instead, everyone carried an iPhone and snapped photos with giddy enthusiasm. Most were San Francisco residents who had gathered in Chinatown on a warm Saturday morning to take part in an "Instawalk," an ad hoc gathering of iPhone photography enthusiasts who share their pictures via Instagram, the popular iPhone photo service/social network that has more than 7 million users.

The tours are led by Brian Roberts, better known to his Instagram fans as Doctor Popular. With help from the Instagram app, Doctor Popular's remarkable photographs have quickly established him as an innovator who uses the iPhone as a powerful tool for creative expression, rather than as a pocket-size plaything.

The most important part of the tours he organizes occurs afterward, when participants gather at a Chinatown cocktail bar to drink and review the photos. "Have you tried the Synthcam app?" asked Doctor Popular, 34, a community manager at Postagram, an iPhone app developer. "It was made by a bunch of Stanford professors. It's great for creating shallow depth of field." That sets off a free-for-all discussion comparing the best apps for editing photos on the phone.

"There's a new art form emerging," he said later in an interview. "I used to react badly when people would call it 'iPhotography,' because that seemed too contrived. Yet more and more, I feel that this type of photography is

really its own thing."

The growth of iPhotography has been fueled by the thousands of inexpensive photography apps offered on Apple's App Store. Android stores also have photo apps. App developers have released an impressive array of tools that can do basic retouching tasks like enhancing brightness, clarity and contrast, or

stranger tricks like merging images or deconstructing a photo into patterns and colors. Percolator, (\$1.99), for instance, converts images into colorful mosaics that look almost like stained glass. Another app, called Interlacer (\$0.99) threads two images together, line by line, to create images that appear as if they were displayed on a vintage

color television in need of repair.

Amateur iPhotography evangelists like Doctor Popular have channeled their enthusiasm for such apps into events that encourage beginner and veteran photographers to compare notes, share techniques and socialize while taking pictures. Ad hoc iPhone photo walks, pub-

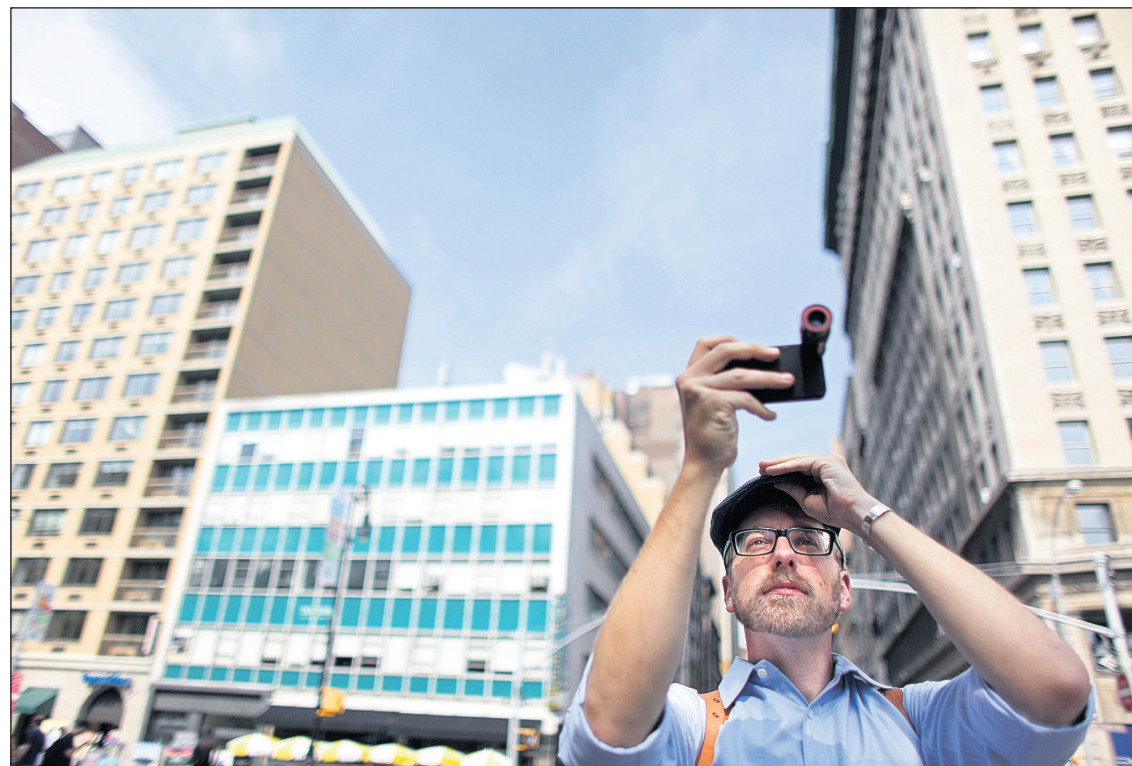
a large group can explore at leisure and hopefully not get lost," he said. "There's no curriculum, but the conversation is usually dominated by tips, tactics and favorites apps. We always end with dinner or drinks."

Similarly, social networking combined with some photo filters and image-enhancement tools make it easy to share smartphone photographs. Social photo-sharing also has a viral effect by exposing a wide range of people to the kinds of images that can be created using nothing more than the iPhone many already have in their pockets.

For some smartphone users, the "Aha!" moment comes when they realize the device can do more than just capture crude snapshots of cats or pictures of dinner. "The big shift happens when you go from using the camera to document daily life to thinking of it as a tool for photography," Doctor Popular said.

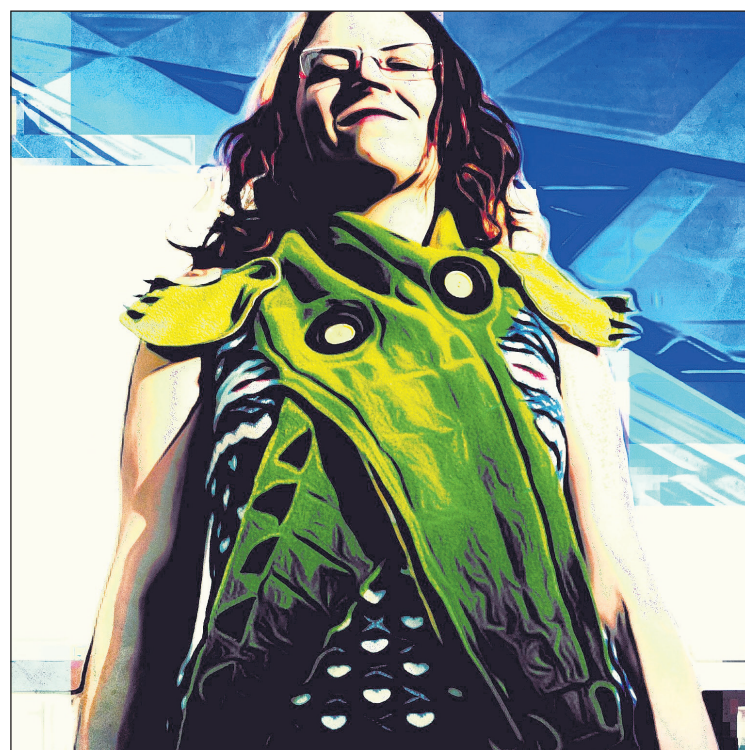
His epiphany occurred when he began editing photos on his iPhone to pass the time during an hourlong public train commute between San Francisco and Silicon Valley, where he was a video game designer. While experimenting with dozens of photo apps, he developed his signature approach to iPhone photography: Instead of just editing an image with one app, he often runs it through several apps, one after the other, in a specific sequence. His process generates unusual photographs that betray little evidence that they were created entirely on a mobile phone.

In one recent image, he took two pictures of the high-rise skyline of downtown San Francisco. He then used the Decim8 app (\$0.99) to break up the pattern of the images, and the StripeCam app (\$0.99) to enhance the vertical lines of the buildings. Finally, he used the TrueHDR app (\$0.99) to combine the two images and create a "ghosting" effect. □



Brian Roberts, aka Doctor Popular, takes a picture using his iPhone during an "Instawalk" tour in New York, Aug. 21, 2011. The tour is an ad hoc gathering of iPhone photography enthusiasts who share their pictures via Instagram, the popular iPhone photo service/social network that has more than seven million users.

(Yana Paskova/The New York Times)



A photo taken by Brian Roberts, aka Doctor Popular, and run through apps for special effect, in an undated handout photo. Doctor Popular's remarkable photographs have quickly established him as an innovator who uses the iPhone as a powerful tool for creative expression, rather than as a pocket-size plaything.

(Doc Popular via The New York Times)

licized using Twitter, Facebook, blogs and Instagram, have taken place in Hong Kong, New York, Seattle and Austin, Texas, among other places. Alex Suarez, an information technology technician in Austin, has led photo walks for traditional photographers for years, but after organizing his first iPhotography walk in July, he noticed that it attracted a very different crowd.

"Regular photo walks tend to be serious," Suarez said. "But iPhone walks bring out more of a cross section of Austin. They are more social, and some people even bring their kids."

Tyson Wheatley, an American news editor who lives in Hong Kong and has organized several photo walks there, said, "It's about having fun and taking photos." "We try to pick spots where